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# Mayor: Show me the money

## COUNCILLOR KOLEK WANTS CCG TO RETURN FUNDS SHE RAISED FOR HOSPITAL'S RELATIVES' ROOM, NO LONGER NEEDED NOW INPATIENT BEDS ARE SET TO CLOSE

THE Mayor of Honiton, Councillor Caroline Kolek, will write to the CCG demanding the money she donated to Honiton Hospital be returned, so it may benefit good causes in the town.

Cllr Kolek raised more than £3,000 for the refurbishment of the relatives' room at Honiton Hospital last year, but now with the CCG's decision to close the inpatient beds, the relatives

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room is no longer needed.

Cllr Kolek said: "It was my chosen charity as mayor last year. I felt it was a project that would benefit the town as it was such a worthy initiative. Less than a year after the refurbishment was finished, we are told that the CCG are closing the inpatient beds, making the relatives' room now obsolete.

"I think the CCG have been rather disingenu-

ous and I would like the money that the people of Honiton helped me raise, through the Mayor's Ball last year, to be returned so we can donate it to good causes in the town that will benefit its people."

The relatives' room was a purpose built facility where the family or friends of someone who was staying the night at the hospital, could rest in comfort as well.

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# Darrant, Jones and Sheridan-Shaw elected to town council

TERRY Darrant, Michael Jones and Duncan Sheridan-Shaw have all been elected to serve on Honiton Town Council following the results of the by-election.

Cllr Jones (374 votes), Cllr Darrant (344) and Cllr Sheridan-Shaw (324) edged out former town councillor Les Lunt (234) following a poor turnout of just 16 per cent of the electorate.

The election took place amidst controversy with three of the candidates being proposed by Cllr John Taylor, as calls in the town grow for Cllr Taylor to resign following a costly Judicial Review launched against his own council.

Cllr Darrant, Cllr Jones and former town councillor Les Lunt had all been proposed by Cllr Taylor.

Cllr Jones and Cllr Darrant maintained throughout the election process that they were not part of a so called 'group' of Taylor supporters and would be acting as independent councillors if elected.

Cllr Sheridan-Shaw had been proposed by Cllr David Perkins.

Following the election, Cllr Jones said: "A thank you to the four ladies at the polling station for their hard work yesterday on what must have been a very long day.

"Thank you to my wife Clare my children Grant and Kylie, my mother in law Chris and nephew Blake who all helped deliver leaflets during the campaign.

"Special thanks to my campaign manager Clare and to Kerry who helped and designed flyers. Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote for me."

Cllr Sheridan-Shaw said: "I would like to express my sincere and humble thanks to the community of Honiton that came out to support my campaign on Thursday (March 9th).

"I look forward to meeting my fellow councillors.

"I would like to extend my personal congratulations to both Cllr Darrant and Cllr Jones and it is my most sincere wish that we can all work as one for the better of our town and community."

Cllr Darrant said: "I would like to thank all those who took the time to vote for me and to offer my congratulations to fellow Honiton 55+ director Mike Jones, who was also fortunate enough to be voted onto Honiton Town Council.

"I'd like to reassure the electorate that I will endeavour to carry out my responsibilities to the best of my ability and offer anyone, whom I now represent, the opportunity to approach

me with any matters that they feel need addressing."

Three ballots were rejected for being unmarked or wholly void for uncertainty.

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## NEWS FROM AROUND PULMAN'S COUNTRY... East Devon & South Somerset

### EDDC plans for housing company

EAST Devon District Council is looking to set-up its own local housing company to play a more significant role in the local housing market and increase housing supply in the area to meet the demand for good quality housing.

The company, which would be wholly owned by the council, could play a key role in delivering new homes to the district's growing population.

It would be financed by the council and any profits would come back to the council.

Other key priorities for the new company would be to improve the quality of rented accommodation across the district, provide housing for sale and shared ownership, and set standards for good housing design and management in the local housing market.

A report setting out the outline business case for the proposal was approved by the council's Cabinet on March 8th.

The report outlines the purpose, legal position and operational considerations of running such a company.

Among the benefits would be the opportunity to buy and let existing homes, including acquiring properties from developers, with the possibility of developing council-owned land or land bought through the open market.

The company would be run as a business by a board of directors.

The report adds: "The company can start

small and build over time. Being entirely under the control of the council, we can operate at a pace that we are comfortable with, managing risk and exploring opportunity for development that are viable and provide a return on our investment."

EDDC has a wealth of experience in housing and is one of the reducing number of councils in the country which still manages its own council housing stock of around 4,200 properties.

This experience will assist in the operation of the company, although it is recognised that it will need to operate on commercial terms free from many of the local government restrictions.

Cllr Jill Elson, EDDC's Portfolio holder for homes and communities, said: "This presents a wonderful opportunity for the council to play a more active part in the local housing market."

"We have researched the proposal carefully and fully, looked at the risks and rewards, and decided that the local housing company model is a suitable model for the council to deliver its housing ambitions."

"We are seeing high levels of demand for housing in the area and see this as a way of increasing supply consistent with the government's growth agenda."

The council will now prepare an initial business plan, identify the first projects and report back to the council.

### Warning over council tax scam

RESIDENTS across South Somerset and East Devon are being warned to be wary of Council Tax scams that may be prevalent in the next few weeks as bills start to be delivered to households.

The offer to reduce your Council Tax banding, reduce your monthly payments or claim money back for a small fee may sound enticing, but it's more than likely that you have been contacted by a scammer who is only interested in getting money or your bank details out of you.

One scam currently in operation that has been highlighted to South Somerset District Council asks for you to confirm your bank details in an email to receive a refund for your previous year's Council Tax bill.

The email even gives a telephone number to call which is a direct line to the Council Tax Team at Oldham Council, making it appear even more genuine.

There are key things to check when you receive communication about Council Tax:

- When writing to you, District Councils will address the letter directly to you rather than to 'the occupier' or 'sir/madam';
- Councils will never ask for your bank account details on the phone or via email, to refund overpaid council tax.

Many scams involve asking for a fee to see if

your Council Tax banding can be lowered. This is a service that can be done for free.

Council Tax bands are set by the Valuation Office Agency and can only be changed under certain conditions. Details can be found at [www.gov.uk/council-tax-appeals](http://www.gov.uk/council-tax-appeals).

Ian Potter, Revenues Manager at South Somerset District Council said: "Many scams are highlighted to the council and we try to inform residents when they are brought to our attention because ultimately it's you, the resident, who may lose out."

"If you are struggling to pay your Council Tax bill and need help, speak with a member of the Council Tax Team on 01935 462462 who will be able to offer help and advice."

Councillor Peter Seib, Portfolio Holder for Finance & Legal Services at SSDC added: "If you are due a refund of overpaid Council Tax we will do this automatically."

"You can check your Council Tax band with the Valuation Office for free. In either case don't let a scammer con you."



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# Hospital beds: Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee question decision

DEVON County Council's Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee has asked NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group to come back with assurances regarding the CCG's decision to reduce the number of community hospital beds in East Devon.

After holding a public consultation, the CCG announced a decision

to reduce the number of community hospital beds in East Devon from 143 to 72. But members of the independent scrutiny committee felt that consultation was flawed, and that the CCG's decision was not in the interests of the health service in the area.

Following discussion at its meeting last week, the committee settled

on a list of assurances that it has now asked of the CCG, with the suggestion that unless adequate responses are forthcoming within 28 days of official notification of the committee's request, the committee could refer the matter to the Secretary of State for Health, Jeremy Hunt.

Those assurances include a clearer explanation of what care at home – the alternative to care in community hospitals – will look like, following concerns that there may not be adequate care available in people's homes.

And given staffing shortages within the NHS and significant challenges for adult social care, the committee wants to know how many more staff are required to make the new model of care work.

There was concern among the committee regarding a new government direction coming into effect next month, that will require health trusts to prove that there is sufficient alternative care provision, before any hospital beds are lost.

And, the committee resolved, there

is not a clear plan from the CCG about the future of the hospital buildings that have lost their beds, and that are now in the ownership of NHS Property Services.

Councillor Richard Westlake, the chairman of the cross-party Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee, said: "We believe that the CCG's recent decision requires further thought, and we have invited them to give us assurances regarding a number of concerns highlighted by the committee.

"The consultation, we believe, was flawed in that it excluded Okehampton and Honiton hospitals from the consultation. We also do not believe that the decision as it stands is in the best interests of the health service in the area, considering the significant pressures on hospitals, such as the Royal Devon and Exeter, for hospital beds."

● County councillor Claire Wright will speak on the situation at a public meeting on Saturday, March 18th at Colyford Memorial Hall, from 4:30pm. The event has been organised by East Devon Alliance.

## Drunk learner driver bit police officer

A LEARNER driver from Yeovil was caught drunk at the wheel – then bit a police officer, a court has heard.

Christopher Exance was taken into custody but then began hurling abuse at officers.

He was told to stop

swearing and while a female officer was holding his head to stop him banging it he bit her forearm, Yeovil Magistrates Court heard.

The officer said in a statement: "It was complete spite and occurred while I was giving him first aid and

was not trying to do anything more than to look after him."

Exance, 19, of Yeovil, pleaded guilty to driving after consuming excess alcohol, without insurance and not in accordance with a licence on February 12th.

## MP welcomes social care boost

EAST Devon MP, Sir Hugo Swire, has welcomed the Government's decision to plough billions of pounds extra into the social care system saying it will mitigate the loss of hospital beds in Devon.

As part of the Budget announced last week, Chancellor Philip Hammond announced that there would be £2billion of additional grant funding for social care over the next three years, with £1bn available in 2017-18.

Mr Hammond says the additional funding will allow local authorities to 'act now' to commission care packages.

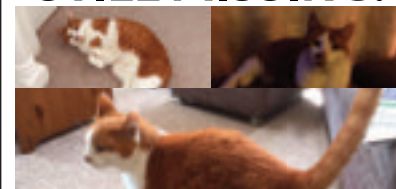
Over the past months Sir Hugo has led calls for greater social care funding. He was part of a cross-party delegation of MPs which recently met with the Prime Minister, Theresa May, to discuss social care.

He has also made the case for more funding on numerous occasions in the House of Commons and most recently last week when he questioned Treasury ministers on the subject.

Sir Hugo said: "I have been proud to be part of the parliamentary campaign for more social care spending and I pay tribute to my colleagues from across the political spectrum for making the case to Government so effectively."

"An extra £2bn over the next three years will alleviate much of this pressure."

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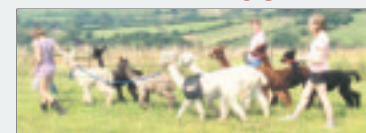
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# Ottery Chamber of Commerce to close

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OTTERRY St Mary Chamber of Commerce has taken the decision to close due to a lack of support from businesses in the town.

And now a town councillor doesn't want the good work the Chamber did to go to waste and make sure Ottery comes together to make sure the town's stellar events are kept going.

At an Extraordinary General Meeting on March 1st, the motion to dissolve the Chamber was proposed.

In the meeting's minutes it said: "Whilst, regrettable, due to the apparent lack of active interest in the Chamber it was felt best for the Chamber to be dissolved allowing a new business group to be formed outside of Chamber."

The Chamber of Commerce was responsible for several events in the town, including the Christmas lights display and late night shopping events.

The question of who will organise the festive lights display currently remain unresolved. Surplus funds will now be donated to the town council to go towards benefitting the community.

Cllr Josefina Gori, who is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, appealed to the businesses of Ottery to stick together.

Cllr Gori said: "Although I regret the decision taken by the Chamber, because in the years that the Chamber existed many good things have come out of it and many hard working chairmen and members gave their time to make a success, I think we all now have the opportunity of forgetting our differences and get

our heads, resources, experience and knowledge together to create activities, events, publicity and new ideas that will act as a magnet to attract people to town.

"I have been involved with many events such as the Jubilee Celebrations, Queen's Birthday, D-Day celebrations, Tour of Britain and many other ones and what became evident all the time was that the only root to success is collaboration and putting the town first."

"I am very grateful to the support that each and every business in town and organisation gave to the Tour of Britain coming to Ottery when I was organising it. I know we can work together."

"That is the reason why I am willing to call a meeting with the participation of each representative group in Ottery: council, traders, residents, community associations, youth groups, and so on.

"So we can sit around the table, forget our differences, listen and learn from each other and simply put a great plan forward that will make Ottery the town that everybody will come to not only for great events like Tar Barrels, Pixie Day and the Food & Families Festival but everyday because we can offer them what they are looking for.

"Let's all come together and make Ottery greater than it already is."

## Otter Nurseries' branches join forces

OTTER Nurseries have joined forces with other branches of the store for the first time to support Devon Air Ambulance during 2017.

The three Devon garden centres usually have their own charity but decided to make a concerted effort this year to raise a substantial sum for this crucial service, which is marking its 25th anniversary.

The nurseries' marketing manager, Sabine Taylor, said: "Everyone understands how important Devon Air Ambulance is to our community, and many of us know of someone who has benefitted from the service - it really is a great cause to support.

"Each year we are overwhelmed by the generosity of our staff and customers towards our fundraising initiatives and already we have seen people digging deep for the charity."

Last year, the three garden centres raised over £10,000 for their various charities, and are hoping to raise even more for Devon Air Ambulance by concentrating fundraising efforts.

These include a mixture of customer and staff events such as staff quiz nights, dress up days and competitions.

In Ottery St Mary, a special lunch is planned for staff, who will be paying £2 for a

main course and £1 for dessert, with all the money going to DAAT.

Other events will include raffles, the popular Memory Tree at Christmas and, of course, customers are encouraged to pop spare change into the collecting tins out on display at every till.

Tracy Owen, DAAT Fundraising Manager, said: "We are delighted to team up with Otter Garden Centres for the coming year.

"The support of Devon companies like Otter is crucial to the continuing provision of our service, which offers hope in an emergency when every second counts."

## New initiative to help Honiton railway station look its best

THE Mayor of Honiton Councillor Caroline Kolek and East Devon District Councillor Jenny Brown have started an initiative to get Honiton train station looking its best, to help promote the town.

The initiative, which was led by Cllr Brown and quickly won the support of Cllr Kolek would see a group of volunteers, for a couple of hours a month, help make the train station look the best it can be through planting flowers and painting signs.

The first session will take place this Saturday (March 18th) with new planters being installed on the station, where they will be filled with evergreen plants to make the station look resplendent throughout the year.

Cllr Brown said: "Whenever you travel through Templecombe and see how glori-

ous the station looks, it makes you want to explore the area.

"We want something similar for Honiton. We are a gateway for East Devon and we feel we need the station to look its best to help attract people to the town.

"So come on down on Saturday at 10am for a few hours of planting flowers, to help make Honiton look its best."

Money has been raised for the initiative so far, with Deer Park Hotel donating £100 towards the plants and A&G Signs sponsoring planters. Money from the Tesco book sale, held in store, will also go towards enhancing the station.

Communities around the country have set up similar schemes, under the Association of Community Rail Partnerships, and each partnership supports one another.



# Local solicitors named best law firm in the area

BEVISS & Beckingsale has been named Law Firm of the Year (one to ten partners) at the Devon & Somerset Law Society Legal Awards.

The winners were announced on March 2nd at a black tie event at Sandy Park in Exeter, attended by more than 350 members of Devon and Somerset's legal profession.

The awards recognise the contribution that law firms make to local communities and the economy in the two counties.

Partner Zoe Gaitskell, who collected the award on the night, said: "I was thrilled to have accepted the award on behalf of everyone at Beviss & Beckingsale."

"The evening was a great success and demonstrated there is still a need for a good quality

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high street lawyer."

Partner Mark Carlisle added: "We are delighted to have won this award. It is a fantastic achievement."

"Our central ethos is 'one team', ensuring our valued clients receive the same outstanding service and expertise in all offices and departments."

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## More schoolchildren get first choice

MORE Devon children have applied for a place at secondary school this September with the county council offering nearly 99 per cent of families one of their three preferences.

In all, 95.8 per cent of the families who applied to Devon County Council have been offered their first preference school with 2.8 per cent allocated their second preference and 0.2 per cent their third preference.

This means a total of 98.8

per cent of applicants were offered one of their three preferences.

The county council received 6,949 applicants from Devon pupils for a place at secondary school in September compared with 6,706 last year.

Devon's cabinet member for schools, James McInnes, said: "It is very gratifying that we have been able to accommodate nearly every child in one of their three preferred schools."

"It is a testament to the

hard work of our admissions and school organisation teams and the partnership and co-operation we have received from the heads and governors of Devon's secondary schools.

"These are obviously early statistics and are quite likely to improve even more before September as appeals are heard and other factors are taken into account, such as parents not taking up places they have been offered."

## SOHS chairman: beds battle not lost

THE chairman of the Save our Hospital Services, Honiton Steering Group, Gillian Pritchett says "they haven't lost the battle" after the CCG agreed to remove inpatient beds from Honiton hospital.

Ms Pritchett said: "The steering group were very concerned that Honiton Hospital had not been formally included in the consultation process at the outset and we are unconvinced that serious consideration was given to retaining beds at Honiton Hospital – despite a petition with over 3,000 signatures and the countless feedback forms and letters that were sent in by concerned residents."

"We may have lost this skirmish but we

haven't yet lost the battle. With the escalating pressures on acute hospitals; the paucity of care available in the community and the groundswell of evidence up and down the country that community hospitals are needed we remain hopeful that the CCG decision can be overturned."

The steering group is calling for everyone to be outside Honiton Hospital at 11am on April 1st – wearing red, as lines will be forming around hospitals in Devon on Red Lines Day.

Ms Pritchett added: "This doesn't just send a message to the media and the CCG, it also shows the wonderful hospital staff that they have strong public support."

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# SWITCH group celebrates fifth anniversary

THE Millwey SWITCH group in Axminster celebrated its fifth anniversary by throwing a special party at the community centre, with friends and supporters invited to join in the fun.

SWITCH groups are run by East Devon District Council (EDDC), aimed at young people and their families and organise youth clubs, fun days and community festivals.

EDDC community development workers Victoria Robinson, Mark Gerry and Deirdre Ryan (who organise the group) were joined by EDDC countryside ranger Penny Evans.

Anna Arroussi came from EDDC's Thelma Hulbert Gallery in Honiton and Helen

Phillips and Bernadette Johnson represented local charity HALFF.

Deputy EDDC leader Andrew Moulding, ward member Ian Hall and Axminster mayor Paul Hayward also attended.

Councillor Hall said: "I was overjoyed to be invited to the Millwey Rise SWITCH fifth birthday party and I felt very honoured to be asked to cut the cake.

"I am very aware of the good work carried out by SWITCH and at times I have been lucky enough to have been involved with SWITCH's summer Community Days.

"SWITCH has been a great benefit to all who have attended over the years, which

in turn helps put good roots down for the future community.

"Arts and crafts are often taught along with cooking and it's good for young people to be out there doing educational activities in a safe environment.

"I truly believe that organisations like SWITCH are the glue that helps stick communities together."

EDDC Community Development Worker Victoria Robinson said: "It has been a great experience working with the young people of Millwey over the past five years, seeing them grow and develop.

"The fact that older members still pop in to say 'hello' shows, I think, that we have succeeded in our aim of providing safe spaces and building relationships with our young tenants.

"We have also had a lot of fun and I would like to thank all the teams and agencies who have given us support over the years and helped to make the club a good place to be.

"I'm looking forward to the next five. It was lovely to look at old pictures and videos and to remember all the things we have done together."

EDDC councillor and portfolio holder for sustainable homes and communities, Jill Elson, said: "The success of our community development

workers can be seen at Millwey Rise with the celebration of five years of SWITCH activity at the community centre.

"The SWITCH project has definitely improved the quality of life for young people and their families, introducing them to new skills, including how to use a computer to access information and services, how to live on a low income and how to cook healthy family meals.

"This is all excellent work and long may it continue."



■ HELEN Phillips was in charge of making the muffins

## Family raising funds for cat killer reward money

THE Axminster family whose cat had to be put down after being shot with an air rifle has started a fundraising campaign.

Their idea is to raise £500, which will be paid to anyone providing information leading to a successful prosecution.

As reported last week, Bex, Sean and Sophia Scotland, **pictured**, came home to find their cat Belle in pain on February 28th.

An X-ray at Coombefield Veterinary Hospital showed a pellet had gone into the cat's spine, so she had to be put down.

The family has since started an online fundraising campaign named Justice for Belle.

The Scotlands said: "We are raising money to offer as a reward for information.

"If, for any reason, nobody is prosecuted, all

money raised will go to Ferne Animal Sanctuary, near Wambrook."

Full details and a sponsorship link are available at [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/justiceforbelle](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/justiceforbelle)

Anyone with information is asked to call police on 101 and quote reference CR/015051/17.



■ COUNCILLOR and Millwey resident Ian Hall cuts the cake



## Axminster Town Council

### Chairman's Annual report March 2017

SINCE being elected as Mayor in May 2016, the months have flown past with alarming rapidity. I have been honoured to represent the Town Council, and the Town, on a wide variety of occasions from Family Fun days, to Festive Friday, from Chard's Civic Ceremony to Costa Coffee launches; every event a delight and a wonderful opportunity to promote the name of Axminster far and wide and to meet those who make our town such a fantastic place to work, rest and play (please excuse an old Slough expression).

My Mayoral year started with the arrival of two new town councillors, Sara and Ian, but has sadly ended with the loss of the longest serving member of our Council, Cllr. Joy Hull, who passed away in February. It would take far more than half a page to adequately convey all that Joy did for the town during her many years of public service but her memory will live on in our hearts and minds as we remember her outstanding contribution to the fabric, and history, of Axminster. Our condolences to her husband, Douglas, and their family.

Your Town Council exists to represent everyone in the town and strives to provide the very best facilities for all our residents; each Councillor is a unpaid volunteer, working together with others as a single body, and ably supported by the staff at the Guildhall and other Council buildings around town.

We have a new Town Council website ([www.axminstertowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.axminstertowncouncil.gov.uk)) which I would encourage all parishioners to visit, and bookmark, which aims to be a single-point of access for all council services and facilities. That said, the Council's main offices at the Guildhall are open as per published hours and you are

guaranteed a warm welcome if the answer you seek cannot be found "online".

In terms of development matters, the planning committee, our clerk and other members of Council, spent an inordinate amount of time considering applications submitted throughout the parish catchment area, month in, month out. From reviewing replacement bay windows to assessing entire housing estates, your Council acts as the town's gatekeeper and watchdog; attempting to balance the need for additional housing to accommodate local need, and allowing sensible, reasonable growth, against the sometimes overwhelming urge of applicants to build on every acre, every square foot of land, often to the detriment of the town's unique geography and aging infrastructure. It is perhaps the aspect of council business that frustrates councillors, staff and public alike; whatever the decision we make, someone will always disagree with our views!

Axminster does face a sustained period of developmental growth – one of the largest in the district – which must be matched by a commensurate increase in infrastructure provision to ensure that all the new people coming to live in Axminster (but also those already living here) have affordable and sustainable access to health-care, social care, education, employment and retail opportunities, not to mention a transport system able to cope with this seemingly endless rise in population and vehicles, of every shape and size. The Town Council has been working with EDDC to create a Neighbourhood Plan, a policy document that will take on board all of the challenges that the town faces over the next 10-20 years and match these with the needs of our residents, both old and new.

In terms of finances, Axminster is no different to every other small local authority in this part of the world, be that large town, or small parish council. Historically underfunded in relation to other parts of the country, Devon County Council is being obliged to constantly review the services it can provide within the limits of the funding it receives from national government. The same applies to East Devon District Council. Both of these higher authorities deliver different services, and you will shortly be receiving your annual Council Tax statements through the post which will contain an explanatory booklet outlining how much they intend to spend and highlighting where service provision is to be reduced or withdrawn.

Axminster Town Council has been assessing the financial forecasts sent down from above since Autumn last year and councillors agreed in January, by a large majority, to make allowance within our own budget and precept figures for the coming year so that we can both maintain the services that the Town Council provides presently but also deliver more for our residents in terms of facilities, amenities and projects throughout the entire parish. However, like your own household financial budgets, these extra things do not come free, and the council has therefore decided to raise our part of the council tax bill – known as the "precept" – by just under £16 per year or 30 pence per week for a Band "D" property. We appreciate that any increase is hard felt by those whose budgets are already squeezed but we have a duty to provide certain services and we would not want to fall short or fail to deliver in these areas.

However, mindful of this fiscal increase at a time when household finances are stretched throughout the town, councillors recognised that the Town Council does hold a significant sum in reserve, accrued after many years of prudent spending, and so it was further agreed by councillors that a programme of works be undertaken throughout the coming years to modernise and upgrade a large number of our publicly owned buildings, to provide new amenities around the town for all to enjoy but also to create a rolling "5 year" Town Improvement Fund which can be drawn upon as and when required in the future, so as to limit further potential local council tax increases. Our town is growing. It is getting bigger every day and so the demands on your council

will grow too. We have planned sensibly, budgeted prudently and invested wisely. My thanks go to all members of the relevant committees who gave up a huge amount of time to prepare our financial budget and to all the staff of the council who will put these plans into action.

The world is a far different place, even to that of a mere 10 years ago. Axminster is no exception. Technology moves along at an astonishing rate and all of us, including the Council, must follow suit or be left behind, possibly missing out. You may not agree or approve, but that is the harsh reality of modern life. Your council is adapting to changes in the way people work, how we spend our leisure time and how we interact with the world around us. From websites, to emails; from Dropboxes to The Cloud, the manner in which we communicate constantly evolves. Your council meets regularly, on the second Monday of each month at the Guildhall, and members of the public are actively encouraged to come along, to see who represents you, to see how we are spending your tax pound in the way we believe provides maximum benefit for each and every citizen of the town; young and old, rich and poor, from "here" or from "away". Your council serves you all equally and we welcome you to come along and see for yourself what we do in your name.

Please have a browse around our website. Read the minutes of our meetings. Participate, ask questions, challenge what we do. The more we know about what you – the people who ultimately foot the bill – want, the better we can deliver the services that you demand, that you need and that you all benefit from. If I can help in any way possible, please get in touch. My details, along with all other councillors, are on the website but also available via the Town Council offices.

Finally, may I invite you all to come along next Monday (20th February) to the Guildhall for the Annual Parish Meeting where reports on the last year will be provided by a number of local representatives, and the public will, as always, have a chance to ask questions of your Council and Councillors. I hope to see a great many of you there.

**Cllr. Paul Hayward**  
Mayor of Axminster



# Millwey lights raise more than £250 for SCBU

THE families whose thrilling Christmas lights displays became a talking point in Axminster have thanked everyone who supported their fundraising.

The Hembrow and Raymond families are neighbours at Millwey Rise, and their spectacular Christmas lights display (right) was in aid of the Special Care Baby Unit (SCBU) at Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital.

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A total of £260 was raised and the families recently visited the hospital to hand over a cheque.

Tom Hembrow said: "We would just like to say a massive thank you to everyone that helped us to make this donation."



WARD VISIT: Members of the families hand over the cheque



## Wood burner causes Dalwood chimney fire

FIRE appliances from Axminster, Colyton and Exeter were mobilized to a chimney fire in Dalwood.

They were called to Starve Acre just before 9.45pm on Monday, March 6th, and a spokesperson for the fire and rescue service said: "Crews used chimney gear to extinguish the fire, which involved a wood burning stove."

## Young Farmers' bingo

CASH prizes will be up for grabs for Axminster Young Farmers' Easter bingo on Thursday, April 6th.

The event is in aid of Axminster-based charity ARC, and will be held at Cloakham Lawn Sports Centre.

There will also be a raffle on the night.

Doors open at 7pm for eyes down at 8pm.

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# Honiton students asked to sign up with NCS

THE National Citizen Service hosted an assembly last week for Year 11 and 12 students at Honiton Community College inviting them to take part in the project this summer.

NCS offers a programme for 16 and 17 year olds during school holidays and involves teenagers meeting other local young people from a range of backgrounds, living independently and developing new skills, whilst learning more about their communities and how they can make a difference through social action projects.

Sam Brunt and Danny Harris, NCS Engagement Officers, also presented college principal Glenn Smith with a NCS Champion College award in recognition of the success the programme has become within HCC and its students.

Mr Brunt said: "The awarding of the NCS Champion College plaque is testament to Honiton Community College's continued support in

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allowing us to promote this incredible programme in their school, as well as encouraging students to the opportunity and all it offers them.

"This, combined with particularly high levels of engagement from students before, during and after the NCS programme has contributed to a successful partnership and we hope to continue to build relations for years to come."

Mr Smith said he was delighted to accept the award and added: "We are proud to be the recipient of a NCS Champion College award.

"It recognises our drive to ensure Honiton students make the most of every opportunity.

"Being a rural school should not be an impairment to accessing national initiatives and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff that go out of their way to provide extra-curricular opportunities for our students; they really do make a lasting impact on their education and help mould the fine young adults they become"

● SIXTH form students and staff at Honiton Community College will be challenging themselves to cycle the 847 miles 'from John O'Groats to Lands End' over 24 hours later this week.

From 1.30pm on March 16th until 1.30pm March 17th, students and staff will don their lycra and cycling gloves and pedal as fast as they can to achieve the ominous feat.

The attempt will be held on three static bikes in the sixth form centre tracking their progress virtually on a screen throughout the day and night.

The Sixth Form Executive Team will be organising the event and raising money for the Devon Air Ambulance with a Just Giving Page being set up for any welcome donations at [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/honitonsixthformbikeride](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/honitonsixthformbikeride)



■ ERIN Marshallsay and Elliott Forwell (Year 12 students) and principal Glenn Smith received the Champion School status from Danny Harris from the NCS

## Senior Voice meeting to showcase town's MIU

A PUBLIC meeting of Honiton Senior Voice later this month will highlight the work of the Minor Injuries Unit at Honiton Hospital.

June Brown, Senior Voice chairman, said: "We are very fortunate in the Honiton area to have our own Minor Injuries Unit based at our local hospital.

"This is vital resources for patients of all ages and is fully

staffed and open seven days a week. We are pleased that a unit representative has agreed to come along and tell us more of what the unit does, when it is accessible and the important part the MIU plays in our local health provision, especially following the devastating news of the loss of hospital beds at Honiton.

"Everyone is welcome to

come along and learn more.

"You never know when you or your family or friends may need the MIU."

The speaker will be Dr Adam Reuben, Emergency Department Consultant.

The meeting takes place at Honiton Methodist Hall on Thursday, March 23rd from 2pm. Doors open for refreshments at 1.30pm.

## Claire to give library talk

CLAIRE Wright will be giving a talk at the new Ottery St Mary Library regarding her Westminster campaign and the subsequent book written about her.

Author of 'West Hill or Westminster? An Independent's Quest', Philip Algar, will also be speaking at the event and said: "Have you ever wondered how an independent with just a few friends but lacking a party machine, finance and experienced professionals can win more than 13,000 votes in a General Election?"

"If so, come to the new library to hear Claire Wright discuss her campaign.

"As a member of the team, I will offer a few thoughts and discuss the challenge of writing the book about the campaign, West Hill or Westminster?"

The talk is taking place on Thursday, March 16th at 7pm and tickets are free.

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# Freemasons' boost to hospice in their 300th anniversary year

THIS year sees the Freemasons celebrate their 300th anniversary and, as part of their annual support of hospices throughout the country, the Assistant Provincial Grand Master of Devonshire has donated £1,000 to Hospiscare's Kings House in Honiton.

The Masonic Charitable Foundation will this year give grants totaling £600,000 to the 245 hospices in England and Wales, including nearly £14,000 to seven hospices here in Devon as part of the £12 million given since 1984.

The Freemasons have been long-term supporters of Hospiscare's Kings House in Honiton and, along with individual donations made by many of the 138 lodges that meet throughout the county and the Masonic Charitable foundation, together they have donated nearly £100,000 to Hospiscare since 1994 when the Freemasons' records began.

On receiving the certificate, Janet McKay, a Clinical Nurse Specialist based at Kings House, said: "The Freemasons' Foundation have been wonderful supporters of our work over the

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years, and we're delighted to accept this latest award from them. It's helping us to provide the best-possible care for our patients here in the Honiton area."

King's House opened in 2015 with great support from the local community.

Patients have access to expert help and support, advice and treatment, and Hospiscare's team of community nurse specialists are now based there.

The Assistant Provincial Grand Master W. Bro. Chris Yard, when he presented the donation, said: "It is always a delight to be here with such dedicated and wonderful people."

"The Freemasons are very happy to be able to help by making this donation towards the ongoing work of the hospice."

"The dedication to the staff to the people of this area who need help is admirable – long may it continue."



■ CHRIS Yard presents the Freemasons' donation to Janet McKay and Toni Hiscocks

## Petition to save PCSO

A PETITION has been launched to save Ottery St Mary PCSO Maria Clapp, after it was announced that Devon and Cornwall Police would be more than halving the number of PCSOs across the counties.

It has not yet been announced if PCSO Clapp or her Otter Valley colleagues' positions are under threat, but Devon County Councillor Claire Wright has taken proactive action in lobbying the Chief Constable Shaun Sawyer and commissioner Alison Hernandez.

The petition reads: "PCSOs are extremely important to residents of Ottery St Mary and in nearby villages and now provide the only visible police presence, sorting out a wide range of problems expertly and discreetly."

"We urge you to reconsider your plans and provide assurances that Maria Clapp and her colleagues will be retained."

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■ HONITON Scouts were recently awarded their librarian badges – with a little help from one of the leaders' mum.

Scout Leader Timandra Burford invited her mother, Susie Kerr, who currently volunteers at a library in West Sussex and worked as a librarian before she retired.

Timandra said: "The Scouts learnt a lot of new things and now look at books in a different light."



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# Big local support for NHS rally in London

EAST Devon was well represented at the recent rally in London, calling on the Government to stop the privatisation of the NHS.

Coachloads of residents travelled up to London on March 4th to join the crowds of 250,000 campaigners with what the national press is calling 'one of the biggest NHS

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rallies in history'.

East Devon Alliance helped to provide the coaches and among those who travelled up were district councillors Cathy Gardener and Val Ranger, along with the Mayor of Axminster, Cllr Paul Hay-

ward.

EDA members were also joined by other concerned members of the public and campaigners for Save Our Hospital Services (SOHS).

A spokesperson for EDA said: "Due to the huge numbers there was some delay until the procession to Parliament Square could begin and,

for the same reason, it took a full three hours' walk to arrive at Big Ben.

"On the way, SOHS led the chants outside Downing Street,

et, enthusiastically echoed by the crowds: 'Hey, Hey, Theresa May, How many beds have you cut today?'

"Throughout the event, a

pervading mood of sincerity, calm determination, and decency, left the police on duty notably friendly and relaxed."

## Band's first rehearsal is next week

EAST Devon Daytime Band's first rehearsal has been arranged for 9.30am to 11.30am on Wednesday, March 22nd in Tipton St John Community Hall.

The brass band has been recruiting for a while, and chairman Trevor Heynes said: "I am delighted to announce that we are now able

to move on with this exciting new brass band and the inaugural rehearsal.

"We are a friendly and enthusiastic group of players.

"Any interested brass players will be warmly welcomed and should contact me on 01395 708766 or trevor.heynes@gmail.com"



THE EDA protesters in London  
Photo by TONY GREEN

## Flipping good fun at Musbury Primary School

FOOD and books have kept pupils at Musbury Primary School busy.

On February 28th they enjoyed finding out about Shrove Tuesday and why we get to eat pancakes.

They finished off the day with pancake races in the playground.

A school spokesperson said: "All the children had a pancake - donated by Co-op - to eat, though not the ones that ended up on the floor!"

Having finished with the pancakes, the children got ready for World Book Day about a week later, attending school dressed as characters from books (far right).



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# Week of fun at Tipton St John nursing home

ANGELA Court Nursing Home in Tipton St John, had an extremely busy week recently as the local community visited the home for a range of activities.

The week saw celebrations of Shrove Tuesday and St David's Day as well as their first Positive Energy Class and a cupcake decorating session.

The week kicked off with celebrations of

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Shrove Tuesday. Everyone in the home – and those who visited – enjoyed the chance to make and toss their very own pancakes.

Everyone was encouraged to put exactly what they wanted on their pancakes, whether it was just lemon or something far more exotic.

Lorraine Molloy, manager at Angela Court, said: "Luckily we didn't have any pancakes stuck to the ceiling!"

"The day was a great opportunity to remember the Shrove Tuesdays we have shared with our parents, children and even grandchildren."

The St David's Day celebrations saw the nursing home become far more Welsh than usual. In celebration of the life of the patron saint, the home was suitably decorated with daffodils and leeks. Some people even chose to decorate themselves with daffodil hats!

Lorraine added: "It was a great day to celebrate the cultural diversity in the home. We're looking forward to continuing the celebrations with our St Patrick's Day celebrations in this

month."

Everyone who lives and works at Angela Court is very keen to welcome the community into their home, so have organised a number of community events alongside these celebrations.

The first Positive Energy Class was held to encourage everyone who lives in the community and the home to keep moving, whilst the next cupcake decorating session acted as a great outlet for creativity.

Lorraine concluded: "Maintaining a well balanced lifestyle is very important for everyone, so we were so keen to use the fantastic spaces and resources we have in the home to help the community to keep fit and creative."

## Town council to write to CCG over hospital beds decision

OTTERY St Mary Town Council will write to the NEW Devon CCG registering their disappointment at the recent decision to close beds in Honiton and Seaton.

In a motion proposed by Cllr Roger Giles, seconded by Ottery mayor, Cllr Glyn Dobson, and unanimously agreed by fellow councillors, the town council write to the CCG with a litany of complaints concerning recent decision by the governing body.

They are:

● This council regrets the NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group decision to reduce the number of beds in East Devon community hospi-

tals from 143 to 72;

● This council regrets the failure to provide detailed costings of its proposed care at home proposals;

● This council regrets the failure to provide evidence of arrangements for its proposed care at home proposals;

● This council regrets the failure to utilise the excellent and modern purpose built hospital at Ottery St Mary;

● This council regrets the decision to remove the stroke unit from Ottery Hospital.

The council also agreed to write to the NEW Devon CCG and to NHS Property Services reiterating its view that Ottery Hospital should be used to care

for inpatients, and asks what the intentions are for the future use of Ottery Hospital and to write to Devon County Council Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee about its concerns.

## Bowling club Easter fayre

OTTERY St Mary Bowling Club have announced their Easter Fayre will take place on April 1st.

Held at The Institute, from 10am to 1pm, there will be plenty of stalls, cakes and fun games to take part in.



■ THE last remnants of Ottery St Mary Gardening Club have pledged more than £300 to purchase and plant trees to make the town look nicer.

The club closed at the end of last year with £3,401 left in the reserves, and decided to

distribute it to various charities around the area.

Part of that allocation was for more than £300 to plant trees in Ottery. Two of the trees were planted outside the library last week.

The buying of the trees was organised by former club

committee members including Bob Joy, who used to own Rainbow Plants in Ottery.

The trees were planted with the help of former club chairman Brian Nelson and Ottery St Mary's mayor and deputy mayor, Cllrs Glyn Dobson and Ian Holmes.

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# Furore over Councillor Taylor

■ I HAVE known and worked with a great number of councillors in my time but never one that was so prepared to pursue a vendetta against his own Town Clerk, Council and council taxpayers.

This member's complaint could and should have been settled amicably but, as the Judge stated, the member "was seeking some reason to continue with his proceedings when there was no real purpose in doing so".

This appalling saga has tested the patience of officers, members and the public well beyond reasonable limits at a time when Honiton was faced with many other important issues including the loss of all its hospital beds. The member should consider his position.

I urge all members including our new councillors, to learn from this tragic waste of money and time, look to the future, avoid being drawn into a self-destructive vortex and tackle the many real issues facing our community.

**TONY SIMPSON,  
Honiton**

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■ REF: *Pulman's Honiton*, March 7th

1. Your front page 'leader' very rightly highlighted the appalling waste of money that is likely to result from the judicial review saga.

2. The problem starts with the EDDC Standards Sub-committee. This committee is not a court of law but, as other councils point out, 'the intention of the procedure is to ensure that the rules of natural justice are applied and a fair hearing achieved'. A pity that EDDC did not decide to do the same. Instead EDDC decided to have a Chilcot style investigation - where there was never any intention of imposing sanctions on Tony Blair nor enhancing his reputation - and the Rules of Evidence did not apply.

3. Had the Complaint from Honiton been heard in a civil court then the Rules of Evidence would have been applied and the EDDC Standards Committee should have, in fairness to all involved done the same. The result would have been about a three page Summary of Evidence supported by three witness statements, and would have started from early 2015 and introduced the factors leading up to the events of late 2015/2016.

4. From the Summary of Evidence it then becomes blindingly obvious that the defendant had no case to answer. The tragedy of all of this is that the judicial review should never have been required in the first place and the waste of funds was avoidable.

**R NIX,  
Honiton**

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■ I AM a Honiton town councillor and as is required I state that the views below are my own and not necessarily those of Honiton Town Council.

My comments relate to your headline front page article of Tuesday, March 7th:

● It is not proper for me to comment on the Judicial Review as legal issues are still ongoing but I reserve the right to do so at a future date.

● I saw the (anonymous) website which purported to be about the local town council election but in fact was a platform to attack Councillor Taylor and draw other councillors into this discussion.

● I sought unofficial advice from a 'higher' council as I and those I love are greatly upset by the inferences about me and other councillors within that website.

● The unofficial advice I received back was that this is 'internet trolling at its worst' and the best thing to do was ignore it. I resolved so to do.

● However *Pulman's View From Honiton* then published a link to this 'anonymous' website on its front page, so now any reader can read the mixture of truths/falsehoods/personal opinions and allegations of the anonymous author.

● For this reason I wish to state publicly that there is *no such thing as a Taylor support group*. There are several councillors whose views coincide with this on various serious financial matters and those councillors have voted in council accordingly, always requesting a recorded vote so that the public can see that we stand by our views. This allegation of a 'support group' on the website is just one of the many falsehoods with which this website is peppered.

● I have only sent this letter to the paper today (March 9th) as today is election day and I have no wish to try to influence voting in any way. The same cannot be said for the anonymous website which was set up.

**JILL McNALLY,  
Honiton**

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■ I AM a serving Honiton Town councillor, however I wish to make it clear I am not writing on behalf of the town council or a councillor but only expressing my personal views, as a resident and taxpayer of Honiton.

I am extremely disappointed that a selective group, working to what appear personal agendas, are using the local press to publicise a troll website in order to influence a by-election and to discredit Councillor Dr John Taylor, who I know to be a compulsively honest man who has always worked hard for what he considers to be in the best interest of Honiton, the taxpayers, and above all strongly believes in transparency when it comes to spending of public money.

I also wish to point out the committee did not look or take into consideration all the evidence provided for the hearing by Cllr Taylor and his solicitors in his defence.

The committee only found Cllr Taylor guilty of showing disrespect to the town clerk because he did not state 'confidential' on his letter to a ward member: for this oversight the committee recommended Cllr Taylor attend councillor training and recommended the hearing be publicised.

Further sanctions imposed by 14 Honiton town councillors, who used their majority vote and acted against officers' advice, were deemed as unlawful by the judge, who strongly criticised both the town council and Cllr Taylor as having acted recklessly, with both sides having been encouraged to do so by their legal representatives: as such Cllr Taylor won his case.

The town council has now appointed a working group to look into the council's finances over the past five years and the £98,000 Public Works Loan Board loan finances will be fully investigated by the working group: I expect for the findings to be publicised in the best interests of transparency.

**JOHN ZARCZYNSKI,  
Honiton**

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■ ALTHOUGH it notes concerns about the actions of Councillor John Taylor, *Pulman's View From Honiton* (March 7th, 2017) is incomplete in two important ways:

First, although Councillor Taylor won the review in respect of Honiton Town Council, there is no mention of the material issues against Councillor Taylor which the presiding judge upheld, namely: 'The decision of East Devon both as to breach and the sanctions it recommended was lawful' (Mr Justice Edis, Approved Judgment, para 44). This judgment also notes (para 42) that Councillor Taylor accused the Town Clerk of criminal conduct without 'the slightest justification for doing so' and that this was a 'very serious error of judgment'. An accusation of this kind is a very serious matter, and, if he hasn't done so, Councillor Taylor should apologise without reservation, publicly and immediately.

Second, *Pulman's* neglects to mention that Honiton Town Council is responsible for costs only for the period of the case prior to March 19th 2016 (a small proportion of the whole case).

After that time, all costs were awarded against Councillor Taylor, and he is thus responsible for both Council costs and his own from this time (Mr Justice Edis, Costs Judgment, para 28). Given the likely amount of these costs, and the comments of Judge Edis regarding Councillor Taylor's conduct, residents of Honiton and East Devon should press Honiton Town Council and EDDC to pursue Councillor Taylor for the payment of the proportion of Council costs for which he is responsible in full in a timely manner.

I urge readers to follow Marjorie-Anne Howe's suggestion (Letters, *Pulman's* February 28th) and read the actual finding in this case.

**ROBERT NEWELL,  
Honiton**



# East Devon hospital bed closures: readers' views

■ THE Thursday before last, I watched as an unselected group of medical professionals voted to betray Axminster for the second time, but also to betray the residents of Seaton, Honiton and every single other resident in the Eastern East Devon area – more than 25,000 people – by voting unanimously, after a questionable and, some-might-say, flawed consultation exercise costing millions of pounds, to close Seaton and Honiton hospitals (and by close, I mean, of course, remove their community in-patient beds).

They chose instead, after much deliberation and earnest debate, to keep Sidmouth and Exmouth units open, two hospitals a mere nine miles apart, on the basis that they represented better value to the elderly population of Sidmouth, and the larger population centre of Exmouth.

Let me say, I am happy for those communities. Please cherish what you have. But do not think that this is a victory for your town. Quite the opposite; it is a loss for us all.

What this means, in reality, is that someone from Hawkchurch wanting to visit their relatives in Sidmouth now faces a 40-mile round

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■ THE CCG's decision to close the beds in Seaton Hospital makes a travesty of the public consultation. Far and away more people supported the Seaton option than any of the other options.

The only reason given by the CCG is that Sidmouth is larger than Seaton and there are more old people there. Both these facts were known by everyone before the consultation started. In any case, Seaton Hospital serves the whole Axe Valley since Axminster's beds were closed.

Everyone in Seaton and the surrounding area must now unite, regardless of any political differences, to demand that the CCG rescind this decision. I trust that there will soon be a meeting of Seaton Town Council to discuss the way forward.

**MARTIN SHAW,**

*prospective Independent East Alliance candidate for Seaton and Colyton*

trip; £70 or more by taxi, and with no direct public transport timetable. By bus, via Axminster and Seaton, takes over four hours, and would leave only an hour for the visit, in order to catch the last connection home again. What this means, in reality, is more patients spending days without visitors, miles from their loved ones and friends.

This is the end result of the so-called "Success Regime" project. Successful for whom, you might ask? Well, it certainly was successful for the highly paid board of directors, the senior management team and the hired-in consultant companies.

The press release announcing the decision was issued within minutes of the vote, and it wasn't a three line memo either; no, it was a full two pages long, emailed out within 10 minutes of the vote.

So, either someone types really fast at the CCG Press Office, or it was already prepared, ready to go, even whilst board members were wringing their hands over this difficult decision; objectively, and without prejudice. We will never know the truth. And perhaps we shouldn't ask. For the truth hurts.

I would hope that the Mayors of Honiton and Seaton join me in objecting to this decision. Join me in objecting to the fact that local communities were forced to fight against each other, in a bid to save their local facilities, and join me in doubting the validity, efficiency and necessity of such an expensive consultation process, which ultimately was ignored in the face of self-evident facts that could have been discovered by a Google search in 10 minutes by the office apprentice at a cost of tuppence ha'penny.

Axminster has been betrayed. Honiton has been betrayed. So has Seaton. And so have each and everyone of us who pay taxes, and who paid taxes for decades, in the naïve hope that this would afford us the right to decent, dignified and local healthcare in our communities. Some hope. No hope.

**PAUL HAYWARD,**  
*Axminster*

■ ON November 8th last year the View From reported my asking Neil Parish MP, in front of a 300-strong crowd at Seaton Town Hall, to vote against his government if the Chancellor failed to provide sufficient funding for Devon's health and social care. He said, and I quote your report: "I'm hopeful that we can get them to give some ground, so therefore it won't put me in the position to vote against the government – but if they don't budge then you might find me in the other lobby".

Now is the time for Mr Parish to make good on that assertion. He stood on an 'NHS Safe Under The Conservatives banner' in 2015. Yet before and after that he has voted for every piece of legislation and every budget announcement bleeding the NHS dry and forcing it towards marketisation and the eager hands of the private health insurance lobby. Now he reacts to the closures of beds at Seaton and Honiton last week with more big promises about holding the CCGs "feet to the fire".

No, Mr Parish, you need to stop blaming bureaucrats doing your party's dirty work, bypass the impotent Jeremy Hunt, summon up real courage rather than hot air, and demand to tell Philip Hammond and Theresa May that if they still refuse to fund the NHS and social care properly you will resign as a Conservative and become independent. If you have the honour to do that I will campaign for you in 2020. If not, I will stand against you.

**PAUL ARNOTT,**  
*East Devon Alliance*

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■ HONITON County Councillor and East Devon District Councillor Paul Diviani declared himself a "passionate supporter of the NHS system" on the front page of your newspaper on 28th February. So passionate that he didn't bother to attend meetings in Honiton, in the town he represents, about Honiton Hospital bed closures. So supportive that he voted against a motion that would suspend the consultation process so that Honiton Hospital could be included in that process. If that is his idea of passion and support then he needs to get out more and speak to those in Honiton who are really supporting with passion the NHS and fighting against the ap-

■ THEY materialised, without election, from nowhere. They lengthened their title to the pompous NHS Northern, Eastern and Western New Devon Clinical Commissioning Group. Their work clearly consists in decommissioning our much-needed community hospitals. If their lack of scruple was not previously obvious it is now.

Having vandalised Axminster, and decided that Seaton would serve the Axe Valley alone, they have now ruled that Seaton must lose its beds. There may be some temporary satisfaction in Sidmouth that they are spared. But look out, you will probably be next, subject to what our MP, Neil Parish, may rightly label as another "sham" consultation.

Recent reporting of the beds issue has exposed a couple of names, Dr Tim Burke (chairperson) and Dr David Jenner. They must know that their favoured alternative to hospitals, nursing the frail and sick in their own homes, may be liked by the Health Secretary, who thinks it will save money if not lives. But it cannot possibly be made to work as quickly as needed.

We who live here could possibly feel better for a while if we showed our anger, made banners and marched on... where? We do not even know where the commissioners have their hideaway. Underground somewhere in the deepest part of what they would probably call 'Middle Devonshire'?

**SEAN DAY-LEWIS,**  
*Colyton*

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palling CCG consultation process which could result in bed closures in our town hospital.

Come the next local elections and should Paul Diviani's name be on the ballot papers, I passionately hope the electorate remember his total lack of commitment to protect Honiton Hospital beds at its greatest time of need and do not support his re-election.

**MALCOLM LEE,**  
*Honiton*

Due to the high volume of letters received on these two subjects not all could be included



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# Freedom of speech

**EXETER AND DISTRICT ENGLISH SPEAKING UNION:** Sir Steven Smith FAcSS FRSA, the Vice Chancellor at the University of Exeter, gave a fascinating and thought-provoking talk on a very topical subject: The Freedom of Speech.

For most of his career Sir Steve has been heavily involved with International Studies. He was only the second non-American to become the President of The International Studies Association. He is a prolific author of books and academic papers and has lectured around the world.

Sir Steve was an excellent speaker to give members a view on freedom of speech in the academic world at The University of Exeter and other institutions. In the past, universities have provided a safe haven for freedom of speech but, sadly, this is no longer the case with nine out of ten universities reporting in a survey that freedom of speech was restricted or endangered.

The changed political atmosphere, the rise in terrorism

and Brexit have only served to enhance some of the complexities. Universities have to spend a lot of time and effort ensuring that a balanced view is presented. However, as we have seen in the news, especially post the Brexit vote, some students have become much exercised, verbally and sometimes physically, involved with these issues. There can be disruption to learning and it can lead to a reduction of the academic safe haven role that the universities provide, to discuss and exchange ideas.

The next event for Exeter and District ESU is a Lunch Event on March 15th. Bel Mooney has had to postpone her planned March visit and will now speak in September. The speaker in March will be Chris Parsons of the Landworks charity which works with prisoners after their release from prison.

Anyone interested in attending Exeter ESU events or becoming a member should contact the Membership Secretary Margaret Guyver on 01392 491898.



**SIR Steve Smith**

# Probus club meetings



**AXMINSTER & DISTRICT:** The March meeting took the form of the 40th AGM. The 'catchment area' of the club has always extended quite widely and, to make this more obvious, a decision was taken to amend its name to 'Axminster & District Probus Club'.

David Ferguson, of Culmstock, passed the chairman's collar - pictured - to Eddie Sharman from Honiton (which has its own club). The Secretary remains Paul Martin of Chardstock and long-serving Treasurer Bill Blissitt of Thorncombe accepted the additional honour of becoming President for the next two years.

With AGM business completed, members prepared to enjoy a talk by member Reg German who had had a long career in the rubber industry. But an imperfect amplification

system meant that it was not picked up by a number of members - the secretary hopes to e-mail Reg's script to them shortly!

The Axminster & District Probus Club for retired and semi-retired business and professional men meets in a private room at

the A35 Pit Stop, Gammons Hill, Kilmington on the first Tuesday of each month. Prospective members always welcome. For further information ring 01460 220528.

**SEATON:** An excellent presentation was given by Helena Williams (the wife of a member) on her visit to Nepal.

A remote country with eight of the 10 highest mountains in the world, 100 different languages and the birthplace of Buddha.

Fifty per cent of the population is malnourished with most people being five feet tall or less. Despite the lack of proper sanitation, refuse disposal and proper roads, the population appears extremely content.

For details on joining the club please contact Steve Lord on 01297 21872 or visit the website: [www.seatonprobus.co.uk](http://www.seatonprobus.co.uk)

Send your club or village reports to Francesca Evans at: Pulman's View From Newspapers, Unit 3 St Michael's Business Centre, Church Street, Lyme Regis, Dorset DT7 3EA or email [francesca@viewnews.co.uk](mailto:francesca@viewnews.co.uk)

**COLYFORD:** At the March meeting, Anne Stobart, a professional medical herbalist and researcher, gave members 'food for thought'. She indicated how numerous plants, herbs and trees can be used for a variety of ailments, explaining the principles behind herb teas and tinctures, and spoke about their decorative use in gardens.

A team of four came fourth in the area round of February's County Quiz. During tea members bought tickets for the local 'group' meeting in April. A couple of ladies will attend the Devon Federation Spring Council Meeting in Torquay. There will be a lunch later in March.

At the next meeting, on 5th April, the talk is on RNLI Lifeboats. For more information contact Elizabeth Harding on 01297 624250.

**HONITON EVENING:** This month's speaker was Stuart Raine who gave a fascinating talk on the History of the Music Halls, their popularity in the early 1900s then their decline as years progressed. The talk was illustrated with pictures of music halls around the country, some of which can be found today in different guises. The talk ended with all singing along with Marie Lloyd.

Plans were made for activities scheduled for the year, and walks, book club and crochet arrangements. Many members had been to see *Mamma Mia* in

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Plymouth and enjoyed the show.

Visitors and new members are always welcome: information on the website 'Honiton

WI' or contact the secretary, Mary Gubby, on 01404 43997 or [honiton@devonwi.org.uk](mailto:honiton@devonwi.org.uk)

**OFFWELL** WI is a small (but beautifully formed) group that meets in the Social Club at 7.30 pm on the first Thursday of each month (except for August and December).

August sees a cream tea, to which partners and friends are invited; December has either a Christmas lunch or dinner.

There is usually a speaker or a demonstration of some kind (usually craft, not protest!) and the evening is ended with refreshments. New members can come along as visitors for two meetings initially and will be assured of a very warm welcome.

**SEATON** WI is moving to a new venue having outgrown their present meeting place. The 2.15pm meeting on Tuesday, April 18th will be held at Crossroad Christian Centre, Homer Lane, EX12 2ES.

This friendly group of ladies meets once a month when there is a guest speaker and refreshments, plus a scrabble group, book club and outings. Visitors and new members welcome. For more information please telephone secretary Margaret Nicholas 01297 792212 or email [seatonwi.events@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:seatonwi.events@yahoo.co.uk)



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# Plans for new homes off Barnards Hill

A PLANNING application has been submitted for 20 dwellings on land north of Barnards Hill Lane in Seaton.

The application features 25 per cent affordable housing, and has been submitted by Baker Estates, which already has plans for a development at Rowan Drive.

The proposal includes a range of three and four-bedroom semi-detached and detached

**Anders Larsson**

Chief reporter | anders@viewnews.co.uk

hed houses and three-bedroom chalet bungalows.

Also included in the plans are five affordable one and two-bedroom homes.

Subject to planning permission, the construction period is estimated to take 12 months.



■ PROPOSAL: An architect's image of the proposed development



■ A CYCLING business has set up shop in Seaton. CycleLife East Devon was officially opened on Friday, March 3rd, with deputy mayor Cllr Jack Rowland, pictured far left, cutting the ribbon. The business relocated after nine years in Axminster and is housed in the new Grove development. Owner Ian Bruton, pictured beside Cllr Rowland, was joined by members of CycleLife East Devon triathlon team, bike manufacturer Raleigh and people from the local business community for the opening ceremony. He said the business had outgrown the premises in Axminster. Mr Bruton praised the Grove development, saying it is beneficial to have a gym upstairs and a bike shop next door. "We are bouncing off each other," he explained.



▲ A JUMBLE sale in The Gateway, organised by the Seaton and Axmouth branch of Cancer Research UK, raised more than £800. The sale was held on Saturday, March 4th and organiser Paula Vickers said: "We took a very pleasing total of £840.44 and are extremely grateful to all of those involved, namely our faithful volunteers and our loyal and generous visitors, without all of whom we would never be able to achieve such rewarding results for the charity. As always, a huge thank you to all."



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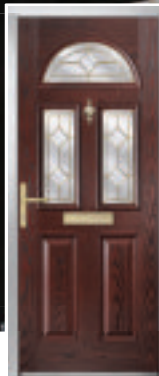
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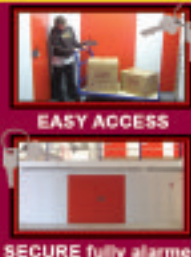
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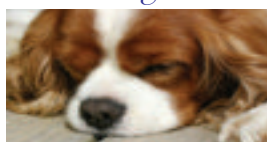
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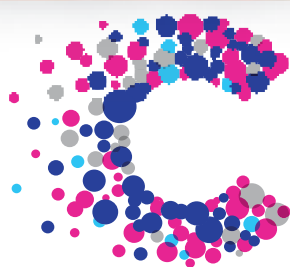




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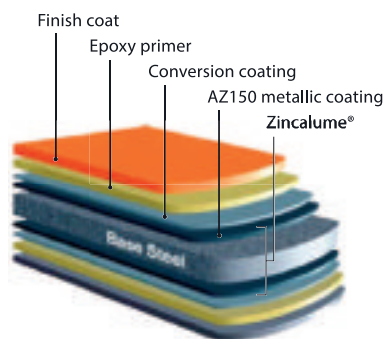
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# VIEW 2

## Beautiful performance on Beer Wurlitzer

THE FRIENDS of the Beer Wurlitzer were delighted to welcome the talented and bubbly Elizabeth Harrison to the first show of 2017 on Saturday, March 11th, a show which was hugely enjoyed by the large audience.

Elizabeth had travelled from her farm in Cumbria to present her varied programme of popular music. She was great fun, playing in her unique style with not a piece of sheet music in sight and featuring her favourite sixties tunes. With her cheerful Lancashire humour, Elizabeth is one of the country's favourite performers and she certainly charmed the Beer audience. As well as being a fantastic organist, Elizabeth is a lady of many talents - a farmer, graphic designer, traditional signwriter, HGV driver, as well as being a collector of tractors and Homepride Fred memorabilia.

The next show will be on Saturday 8 April when Andrew Nix will be returning to play his wide repertoire of popular music at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer, EX12 3JQ. Shows start at 2.00pm, admission is £7.00 on the door, children free, and includes interval refreshments. For further information phone 01297 24892 or visit [www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk](http://www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk).

## Crewkerne Farmers Market

THE MONTHLY Crewkerne Farmers Market is this coming Saturday, March 18th at the new venue by The Henhayes Centre (TA18 8DA near Waitrose and The Aqua Centre), from 9am to 1pm with bread, cakes, apples and seasonal veg, cheese, fish, meat, poultry and eggs and Ed the Potter!

Come along to the Farmers Market on Saturday for quality food and drink, produced and reared in the local area. Spring is in the air and In Clover are back with their stunning display of flowering plants. Bower Hinton will have Curly Kale and Purple Sprouting along with the famous big cauliflowers (and some smaller ones for smaller households!).

Congratulations to West Country Water Buffalo on winning their first star at the national Great Taste Awards as well as a Gold Award from Taste of the West for their Water Buffalo Fillet Steaks.

Another good thing about Farmers Markets is that, apart from knowing the food is fresh, you don't end up with a load of pointless packaging to fill up your black bin!

For Farmers Market dates across Somerset and details of all the producers visit [www.somersetfarmersmarkets.co.uk](http://www.somersetfarmersmarkets.co.uk).

## Tribute to Oscar Peterson at Tuckers Jazz Club

GUITARIST Dominic Ashworth and The Craig Milverton Trio present an Oscar Peterson Tribute (with Craig on piano, Sandy Sucholdolski on bass, Nick Millward on drums) at the Tuckers Arms this Saturday, March 18th at 8pm.

Dominic Ashworth continues to shine as one of the finest jazz guitarists in Britain.

With an electrifying accompa-

niment from Craig Milverton on piano, Sandy Sucholdolski on bass and Nick Millward on drums. This promises to be one of the great jazz nights at The Tuckers Arms.

For more details visit [www.dalwoodvillage.co.uk](http://www.dalwoodvillage.co.uk) or call 01404 831 280. Tickets are £10. If you plan to have a Tuckers meal first, book early, by calling 01404 881 342.

## Some People V Reginald D Hunter

REGINALD D. HUNTER returns to the UK in 2017 with his highly anticipated brand new show.

During the 15 years in which he has lived in the UK, Reginald's searingly honest material has garnered him a popular fanbase that spans the generations. In the past twelve months he has appeared in a critically acclaimed tour of Ireland as well as performing across Europe. His appearances on television have included *8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown* and the hugely popular three-part BBC2 series *Reginald D Hunter's Songs Of The South* which documented Reginald's epic road trip from North Carolina to New Orleans through 150 years of American popular song.

Reginald D Hunter brings his new show to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Tuesday, April 25th at 8pm. Tickets are £15, available by calling 01297 442138 or online at [www.marinetheatre.com](http://www.marinetheatre.com)



■ Reginald D Hunter

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## Catch them if you can

### Nigel Price Organ Trio & Vasilis Xenopoulos set to play Ilminster Arts Centre

ONE OF Britain's top jazz groups will be lighting up the stage at Ilminster Arts Centre on Friday, March 24th. The Nigel Price Organ Trio was formed in 2002 and has been hard at work ever since, playing hundreds of gigs including ten residencies at Ronnie Scott's jazz club in London. The by-products of the band's incredible work ethic are a cohesive chemistry, an enormous repertoire and a much-coveted Parliamentary Jazz Award for 'best jazz ensemble'.

Their hard work has also been repaid with critical acclaim, with Mojo magazine noting that, "There's an exhilarating tight-loose swing and old-school honesty about Price's brand of soul-bop that leaves you panting". For the Evening Standard, they are quite simply 'Brilliant'. Writing in response to their latest album release (Heads & Tales Vol 2, released November 2016), Observer jazz critic Dave Gelly noted "Price is a dynamic live performer. He's currently touring with his trio, so catch him if you can".

A virtuoso guitarist, Nigel Price recently won the 2016 UK Jazz Awards' Guitarist of the Year and is a regular at Ronnie Scott's. He spent three years with the James Taylor Quartet and has performed with the BBC Big Band, Carleen Anderson and the legendary David Axelrod. His blend of flowing, fiery bebop lines, deep blues feeling and his will to swing hard has made him a big hit with jazz audiences everywhere.

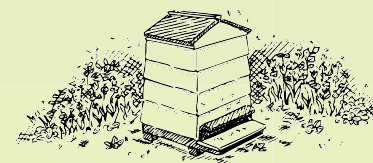
The trio is completed by drummer Steve Brown and Ross Stanley on Hammond organ (Ross is another UK Jazz Award winner, having scooped the top spot in the 'miscellaneous instruments' category), and for this Ilminster gig, they are joined by sax supremo Vasilis Xenopoulos. Originally from Athens but now resident in London, Vasilis has worked with many of the best musicians in the British jazz scene, such as Jim Mullen, Steve Waterman, Alan Barnes, and Ray Gelato.

Tickets are £16 (pre-show supper £14 at 7pm, book in advance), available by calling 01460 54973, or online at [www.themeetinghouse.org.uk](http://www.themeetinghouse.org.uk)



■ Nigel Ogden Trio

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# Diary Dates

## TUESDAY MARCH 14TH

**SIDMOUTH:** East Devon Organ Club at Primley Road Church Hall (EX10 9LH). Paul Roberts will perform at 2.30pm.

**CHARD:** Chard Royal Naval Association will be holding a first for them when they dine out the Captain and Executive Officer of HMS Somerset in the Lord Leaze Hotel at 7.30pm. The association has asked to have an association with the ship and having been accepted they decided to host the dinner in recognition and to thank Commander Tim Berry and his ships company.

**CHARD:** Chard WI meeting at Chard Baptist Church Rooms, Holyrood Street TA20 2AH. Musical evening starts 7.30. Call Johanna on 01460 68133 for more information. Meetings first Tuesday of every month.

**BROADWAY:** Ile Valley Flower Club at Broadway Village Hall. Demonstrator Diane Norman demonstrating Japanese Ikebana. Start 7.30pm. Visitors and new members welcome.

**CREWKERNE:** Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

**CREWKERNE:** Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

**CREWKERNE:** Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

**COLYTON:** Friends of Colyton Library Author Event with East Devon based crime writer Graham Hurley at Colyton Peace Memorial Hall at 7pm. Tickets £7.50 to include refreshments available from Colyton and Seaton libraries and The Little Shop, Colyton.

**COLYFORD:** Cash Bingo at Colyford Hall 7.45pm in aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare @ Home. Ample parking. Please come and support this very worthy cause.

**BRIDPORT:** Bridport History Society, United Church Hall, East St. Bridport, 2.30. Eric Galvin will talk about 'Joseph Clark a popular Victorian artist and his world' Joseph was from Cerne Abbas. All welcome, members £1.00, visitors £2.50. For more details contact Jane on 01308 425710 or email: jferentzi@aol.com

## WEDNESDAY MARCH 15TH

**SEATON:** Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit [www.jurassicfolklondjam.com](http://www.jurassicfolklondjam.com)

**SEATON:** Seaton and District Probus Club. Talk by Richard Holliday: History of Garton & Kings - Exeter's Oldest Business. 10 am at Seaton Methodist Church small hall. The club is open to retired or semi-retired men over 55. New members/prospective members welcome - come and give us a try. Please contact Stephen Lord on 01297 21872 for more information.

**SEATON:** Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway. Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email [waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk](mailto:waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk) for more details

**CHARDSTOCK:** Gardening Club. Talk 'Designing with Plants' by RHS award-winning garden designer Marion Dale. How to create a specific 'look' in your garden by choosing plants to suit the situation. 7.30pm, Chardstock Community Hall. Everyone welcome. Non-members £2 at the door. Enquiries: 01460 221619.

**CREWKERNE:** Bingo at Henhayes Centre - £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games - "eyes down" at 2.30pm. Bar open, refreshments available, raffle.

**COLYFORD:** Axe Valley Centre National Trust, Talk on "Knightshayes" by Kate Churchill (House Manager). Colyford Memorial Hall 2.30pm. Non-members welcome £2.00 including refreshments.

**SEATON:** Seaton and District Probus Club. Talk by Richard Holliday: History of Garton & Kings - Exeter's Oldest Business. 10 am at Seaton

# Critically acclaimed play about cricketer Colin Milburn comes to the Marine Theatre

FOLLOWING a sell-out tour in November 2016, Dougie Blaxland's critically acclaimed one man show *When The Eye Has Gone* is coming to The Marine Theatre Lyme Regis as part of a UK National tour on March 15th. Tickets are available from the box office on 01297 442138.

*When The Eye Has Gone* tells the all too brief life of Colin "Ollie" Milburn - the cricketing legend who was one of England's most unlikely sporting heroes. Full of anecdotes, a thumping soundtrack and a large gin and coke, the story swings backwards and for-

wards through Milburn's life as he raises a glass to the triumphs, including his first Test Century against the West Indies at Lords in 1966 and the disasters, like losing his left eye in a car accident in 1969.

The extraordinary story of Colin Milburn has all the hallmarks of a Greek tragedy. In 1966 he became a household name, scoring a blistering century against the mighty West Indies in only his second test. He then caused a major sensation playing for Western Australia in the Sheffield Shield smashing 243 against Queensland at Brisbane in an innings described by Don Bradman as "the greatest innings played by an Englishman on Australian soil". This was quickly followed by another glorious century for England against Pakistan in Lahore.

Just a few weeks later, on his triumphant return to England, he lost his left eye in a car crash in Northampton, an injury that effectively ended his career and life prospects. His subsequent decline into alcoholism ended with his death from a

heart attack at the age of 48. Ian Botham was one of the pall bearers.

Originally commissioned by The Professional Cricketers' Association for Mind Matters, their mental health awareness programme, *When The Eye Has Gone* was written by the award-winning playwright Dougie Blaxland, nom de plume of James Graham-Brown, a former Derbyshire and Kent all-rounder and directed by Roughhouse Theatre.

The part of Colin Milburn is played by GSA graduate Dan Gaisford. Dan has worked extensively in TV, film and theatre and his recent credits include Clybourne Park (Mercury Theatre Colchester), Kidnapped (Brassworks Theatre) and Henry Walker and the Wheel of Death (Roughhouse Theatre).

The show comes to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Wednesday, March 8th and Wednesday, March 15th at 8pm. Tickets are £13 and £12 (concessions), available online at [www.marinetheatre.com](http://www.marinetheatre.com) or by calling 01297 442138.



■ Dan Gaisford as Colin Milburn

## what's on this week...

**WHEN THE EYE HAS GONE**  
**WED 15th MAR / 8.00pm**  
 Full price: **£13** / Concessions: **£12**  
 Theatre of cricketing legend  
 Colin 'Ollie' Milburn.

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Please note that a 10% booking fee applies to all online and TIC bookings

# Diary Dates

Methodist Church small hall. The club is open to retired or semi-retired men over 55. New members/prospective members welcome - come and give us a try. Please contact Stephen Lord on 01297 21872 for more information.

**UPLYME:** Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society outing to National Trust's Kingston Lacy. We hope the snowdrops will still be in full bloom, there will be a guided tour of the house and garden laid on, so plenty to see and do whatever the weather. The coach leaves Uplyme Village Hall at 9 am - for National Trust members the cost is £12, non-members £21. If you are not a member of ULRHS you are still welcome for an extra £3. Please ring Jenny Harding on 01297 444034 to book your place, as soon as possible so that numbers can be finalised.

## THURSDAY MARCH 16TH

**EXETER:** Families for Children Trust is a Specialist Adoption Agency and charitable trust based in the South West, meeting at Kenn Centre, Exeter Road, Kennford EX6 7UE. 2-4pm. People can learn about becoming an adopter and how we can support you for life.

**CREWKERNE:** Crewkerne Folk Dance Club 8-10pm at St Bartholomew's Church Hall. Every Thursday. Entry £3.50, but first visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 75760.

**CHARD:** Chard Camera Club will be attending Kilmington village hall for their annual Horse-shoe inter club competition against four other clubs. All clubs will meet up in the hall for 7.30pm

**CREWKERNE:** Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10am to 11am. £2.50 for members/£3.50 for non-members

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit - 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non-members.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

**SEATON:** Gregs' Music Makers. Come along and enjoy music and play. At St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, Seaton. 10am-11am. Babies and young ones, aged up to 4 years with their carers are welcome. Refreshments available. Come and enjoy friendship. Donations invited of £1 per family.

**AXMINSTER:** Quiz Night at the United Reform Church Hall, 7.30pm. Teams of 4 at £4 per team. Organised by Axminster & District Horticultural Society.

## FRIDAY MARCH 17TH

**CREWKERNE:** Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866.

**CLAPTON:** Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - singer-songwriters Howden Jones folk duo perform at 7.30pm. Licensed bar; raffle; £11, includes home-made soup & roll, please book in advance, on 01460 75313 or 01460 74849

**AXMINSTER:** Seichem Reiki workshop at Weycroft, EX13 7LN. 10 to 4 pm an opportunity to learn this fascinating healing art in unique and tranquil surroundings. A manual, certificate, beverages and a light lunch will be provided. Please contact Maggi on 07951402717 for further information

**CHARDSTOCK:** Chardstock Bowling Club Quiz Night at Chardstock Community Hall. 7pm. Tables of four. £5 a head with ploughman's supper included - you are welcome to bring your own liquid refreshments. Book early to avoid disappointment.

**CREWKERNE:** Chef's Special Lunch at Henhayes Centre. 12.30 - £8.00. Roast beef followed by Strawberry Gateau.

## SATURDAY MARCH 18TH

**COLYTON:** Reg Meuross performing in St Andrew's Church, Colyton at 7.30pm. Doors open 6.45pm. Part of the Friends of St Andrew's Church fundraising programme to help support the fabric this beautiful church. Tickets available on the door or in advance from The Little Shop, Market Square, Colyton (01297 552057) Prices £12, FoStA members £10, under 18s - £5. To include refreshments.

**HONITON:** Hospiscare Bargain Sale. 9am-12 noon. Mackarness Hall. Homemade refreshments served.

## More Diary Dates on page 32

Deadline is Friday 4pm for the following Tuesday's publication. Please ensure dates are included for all listings - weekly listings without dates may not be published.



# An Absolute A to Z of Bowie

ABSOLUTE BOWIE is Europe's Finest David Bowie Tribute. The five piece has toured all over Europe for the last 8 years, faithfully performing the music of

David Bowie with uncanny accuracy. The audience are taken on a journey experiencing the different personas of Bowie, from Ziggy Stardust and Aladdin Sane through to The Thin White Duke and the late 80s.

Absolute Bowie has been voted one of the best tribute bands in the UK with their energetic (and theatrical!) stage show. Prepare to be taken from A to Z (Absolute Beginners to Ziggy!) with Stations to Station in between.

Absolute Bowie

play live at The Gateway in Seaton on Friday, March 17th, with doors opening at 7.30pm. Tickets are £15 in advance, or £18 on the door, available from

The Gateway Box Office 01297 625699 open Monday-Friday 10am to 4pm, and Saturday 10am to 1pm. Card payments accepted.



■ Absolute Bowie. Photo Emily Aldridge Photography.

# Celebrating Ella's centenary

PRaised as the 'First lady of Song', Ella Fitzgerald was a much loved jazz singer who applied her impeccable vocal style to many of the tunes which have become known as the 'Great American Songbook'.

In what is Ella's centenary year, her inspirational singing will be celebrated by vocalist Maggie Reeday (who has appeared four times on ITV and sung with the BBC Radio Orchestra) featuring internationally renowned pianist Philip Clouts & his Trio. Expect to hear many favourites including How High The Moon and The Lady is a Tramp.

Maggie Reeday and Philip Clouts play at The Gateway in Seaton on Friday, March 24th. Doors open 7.30pm with performance 8pm. Tickets are £13 in advance, available from The Gateway Box Office 01297 625699.



■ Maggie Reeday

## WWII drama showing at The Gateway

BRAD PITT plays Max Vatan and Marion Cotillard plays Marianne Beausejour in *Allied* from Paramount Pictures, showing at The Gateway this Saturday, March 18th.

*Allied*, set during WWII is the story of intelligence officer Max Vatan (Brad Pitt), who in 1942 North Africa encounters French Resistance fighter Marianne Beause-

jour (Marion Cotillard) on a deadly mission behind enemy lines, they have to pose as a married couple for a dangerous mission.

Their cover story soon leads to a love affair and they reunite in London, where their relationship is threatened by the extreme pressures of the war. Max's heart is shattered when he is told he must take part in an investigation to de-

termine whether Marianne is really a double agent working for the Nazis.

Doors open 6.30pm and you can bring food for your table, if you simply want to watch the film it will start 7.30pm. A licensed bar will be open. Tickets are £5 available from The Gateway box office 01297 625699 open Mon-Fri 10am to 4pm and Sat 10am to 1pm.

# THE GATEWAY



**Absolute Bowie**  
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**Allied**  
Saturday 18th March  
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Tickets £5



**Ella Fitzgerald Centenary Show  
Maggie Reeday & The Philip Clouts Trio**  
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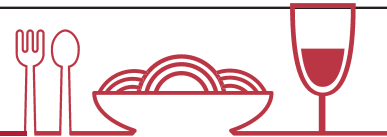


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# Dining out in East Devon & South Somerset



## The Ridgeway Inn

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To reserve a table, call 01297 32171 or email [carolebaulch@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:carolebaulch@yahoo.co.uk)

If you're looking for the right venue to celebrate any special occasion, pop into The Ridgeway for an informal chat, taste some of the delights they have on offer or just have a look around.

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## Showtime

ON THE SHOWBIZ BEAT

## It's not all song and dance at the Theatre this week

IN THEATRE, just like in life, it's good to occasionally be taken out of your comfort zone and this is something I've had to learn over the last two years.

Given the choice, my ideal viewing is and always will be an all singing, all dancing musical, but recently my eyes have been opened to a whole world of theatre, which I had no idea could be quite so enthralling.

Like film and television, it's sometimes the darker material, which has more of an impact, so, rather than shows with tap shoes and plenty of vibrato (my preferred theatrical lot), this

week has been filled with powerful portrayals and productions I would never normally choose to see.

It's great to experience a full range, but you do need to make sure you're emotionally robust (which I'm not!) before you visit and my delicate state was well and truly tested right at the beginning of the week with a trip to Thomas Hardy School.

I was invited to see the A-Level Drama students perform their examination pieces and although there was a wealth of exceptional talent on display, some of the subject matter, which

they had chosen was horrific; boundary pushing in every sense and worryingly thought provoking.

My next theatre trip wasn't much cheerier either as I headed off to Southwark Playhouse to see *The Diary of a Teenage Girl*. I like to go in cold when it comes to theatre and try not to read too much about shows before my visit and so, I had in my mind that the production was going to be a, kind of, girl's version of *Adrian Mole*.

How wrong could I be? It turns out very. Although the play is a comedy, it's actually about a girl being sexu-



■ Daniel Radcliffe and Joshua McGuire in *Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead* at The Old Vic.  
Photos by Manuel Harlan



■ Jon Robyns as Sir Galahad and Bonnie Langford as The Lady of the Lake in *Spamalot*.

Photo by Manuel Harlan

ally abused, so I failed to see the funny side. That said, it was very well done and as a critic, you have to take into consideration the quality of the production, not just your own personal taste when you are reviewing something.

Next on the list was a visit to the Harold Pinter to see Imelda Staunton and co in *Who's afraid of Virginia Woolf?*. The multi-award winner was absolutely majestic throughout, but I have to admit that I had no idea what was going on for most of play.

I then trooped down to the Old Vic to see Daniel Radcliffe in *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead*, which although wordy and at times a little baffling, provided the light relief I had been longing for all week.

All of the plays were extremely well done and kept me on the edge of my seat,

but I couldn't help but yearn for a musical to lighten my mood and leave me with a spring in my step.

I will start to scratch my musical theatre itch again very soon however, as I'm about to get back on the stage myself. I'm ecstatic to be joining the cast of *Spamalot* in Axminster and will start rehearsals in May.

The hilarious musical comedy, based on Monty Python and the Holy Grail will be staged at the Guildhall in September and I'm playing the coveted role of the Lady of the Lake, a part which has been played by the likes of Bonnie Langford and Jodie Prenger, so I'll be sure to ask their advice before I start.

Next week I'm off to see a play called *Seventeen* at the Lyric Hammersmith which sees a cast of veteran actors take on the role of a group of teenagers-before I get to have a look at the newly re-

opened Bush Theatre.

I'm then off to see *Stepping Out*, which stars Amanda Holden and has had a last minute cast change due to Tamsin Outhwaite breaking her foot. Her replacement is a highly acclaimed musical theatre performer called Anna Jane Casey, someone I have a huge amount of admiration for, so I'm actually really pleased I will get to see her. As she is an outstanding dancer, I'm hoping her twinkle toes will help to 'Tap my troubles away'.

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# Diary Dates

## SATURDAY MARCH 18TH

**COLYTON:** Fellowship Thursday Club Coffee Morning & Table Top Colyton Town Hall 10.00am Cakes Books Brica Brac Crafts Produce In aid of the St John Eye Hospital Jerusalem £1 at door to include Coffee Contact Jenny Male 01297 553001

**DALWOOD:** Tuckers Jazz Club at Tuckers Arms, 8pm. Guitarist, Dominic Ashworth & The Craig Milverton Trio present an Oscar Peterson Tribute (with Craig on piano, Sandy Sucholdolski on bass, Nick Millward on drums). Tickets £10, available by calling 01404 831 280.

**COLYTON:** Surveying for Dormice, 10am - 3pm. Cottshayne Wood, nr Colyton. Learn about dormice and help set out dormice tubes to allow monitoring of the expanding dormouse population in Cottshayne Wood. Some light clearance of vegetation also planned. Free Legacy to Landscape event. Booking essential. Christina Bows 01297 23822, email: tinabows@hotmail.co.uk; Cottshayne Wood Parking GR226935

**HONITON:** University of Exeter Chapel Choir 'Singing Spectacular' Concert at St Paul's Church, Honiton at 7pm. Choral music at its very best, directed by Michael Graham. Tickets £8 in advance from Wendy Randle 07934 425872 or £10 on the door.

**SEATON:** FREEdom Cafe - FREE Community Cafe 10.30am-1.30pm. Hosted by St Gregory's church at the church centre Seaton EX12 2DF. Coffee, cakes and light lunches all FREE. Rummage stall and good quality second hand books. We welcome everyone, living, working or just visiting.

## SUNDAY MARCH 19TH

**COLYFORD:** Indoor Boot Sale at Colyford Memorial Hall. 9am-2pm. £5 a table. For more details call 01297 23591.

**SHUTE:** Alison Neil brings her one-woman show 'Mrs Beeton, My Sister' to Shute Church at 3pm. Tickets are selling now on the STAG website and will be available from the Archway Bookshop, Hurfords Kilminster and Dalwood Shop.

**HONITON:** Honiton District Carnivals AGM at Methodist Church, Chapel Street, 7pm.

## MONDAY MARCH 20TH

**MISTERTON:** Bingo at Misterton Village Hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Every Monday.

**CREWKERNE:** Crewkerne Awareness March Meeting. Guest Speaker: Pauline Elsworth on 'Goddess Healing'. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm - 9.30pm. Admission £2.50 (Includes Light Refreshments) Everyone Welcome. Further details telephone Anastasia 01460 351019

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non-members. Transport available for second session, ring Centre to book.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 7 - 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

**MUSBURY:** Musbury Garden Club's third talk of 2017 will take place at the village hall at 7.30pm. Mary Bengier, owner and garden designer of Burrow Farm Gardens, will tell us all about what plants are good both in and out of the shade for our East Devon gardens. Refreshments from 7pm. All welcome. Non-members £2.50.

**SMEATHARPE:** Monthly whist drives at 7.30pm. Good prizes and raffle. In aid of hall roof funds More information from Dorothy on 01823 601 296

## TUESDAY MARCH 21st

**AXMINSTER:** Cooking for One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the Methodist Hall, Lyme Road, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information or email hannah@halff.org.uk. 11.00am-12.30pm.

**COLYFORD:** Cash Bingo at Colyford Hall 7.45pm in aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare @ Home. Ample parking. Please come and support this very worthy cause.

**CREWKERNE:** Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help pro-

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**CREWKERNE:** Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

**CREWKERNE:** Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter after noon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

**CREWKERNE:** FREE Author Talk and Book Launch of 'Fall Guys' by Ian Andrew at 2pm in Crewkerne Library, Falkland Square. For more information, please call Ana 07931 884726

**COLYTON:** Introduction to use of OS Maps in historical research, 10.30am - 12.30pm. A practical hands on workshop led by Hugh Dyer-Westcott, showing how OS maps can be used to investigate changes in the landscape. Free Legacy to Landscape event. No booking required. Bring notebook and pen or pencil. Colyford Memorial Hall, Swan Hill Road, EX24 6QJ. Further information [legacytolandscape@gmail.com](mailto:legacytolandscape@gmail.com); or 01404 310012

## WEDNESDAY MARCH 22ND

**SOUTH PETHERTON:** Sausage Making Course with Clinton Bonner from Bonners the Butchers Ilminster. 7.30 - 9.00pm. Frogmary Green Farm, South Petherton, TA13 5DJ. 01460 242775, [www.frogmarygreenfarm.co.uk](http://www.frogmarygreenfarm.co.uk)

**BRANSCOMBE:** Branscombe Players are holding an 'open evening'/AGM with refreshments in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. Please come along and get involved to discuss our future plans. New members and friends are positively encouraged to have an input whether keen on being on the stage or helping behind the scenes etc. Any queries, please contact either Linda 680369 or Ross 680264.

**SEATON:** Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway. Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email [waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk](mailto:waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk) for more details

**UPLYME:** Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society's next talk, at 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall. David Usher, who was Head Gardener at Hestercombe for many years will talk to us about the project to restore their famous gardens, from the Gertrude Jekyll walled garden to the wilder landscape behind the house. It should be a fascinating evening, and tea/coffee will be available both before and after the talk. Entry is free for members, £3 for non-members.

**YEovil:** Yeovil Chamber Choir concert in St Andrew's Church, Preston Grove BA20 2BQ. Performing Salvator Mundi - O Saviour of the World, a choral concert of Sacred Music for Lent and Passiontide. Tickets £10, including refreshments. For more details call 01935 873719.

**CREWKERNE:** Bingo at Henhayes Centre - Cash prizes - "eyes down" at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

## THURSDAY MARCH 23RD

**CREWKERNE:** Crewkerne Folk Dance Club 8-10pm at St Bartholomew's Church Hall. Every Thursday. Entry £3.50, but first visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 75760.

**EXETER:** Families for Children Trust is a Specialist Adoption Agency and charitable trust based in the South West. We place vulnerable children from all over the UK with new adoptive families in Devon, Dorset, Cornwall, Somerset and the Isles of Scilly. Meeting at Dart Farm Village, Estuary Room, Topsham, Clyst George, 2-4pm.

**SEATON:** Gregs' Music Makers. Come along and enjoy music and play. At St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, Seaton. 10am-11am. Babies and young ones, aged up to 4 years with their carers are welcome. Refreshments available. Come and enjoy friendship. Donations invited of £1 per family.

**CREWKERNE:** Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10am to 11am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit - 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non-members.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.



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Dublin's most famous export, Guinness beer, first arrived in the United States on the shore of North Carolina in 1817 under the direction of Arthur Guinness II, first heir to the company. The dark ale,

known as stout, became an instant hit as it spread its delicious exports around the world. Today, offering eleven distinct varieties, thousands of bottles will be consumed on St. Patrick's Day, a one-day break from Lent, after sixteen days of building up a powerful thirst. Though to many Americans, St. Patrick's Day has evolved into green beer and a drinking free-for-all, if you're heading to Dublin to celebrate and take a tour of the Guinness castle, be forewarned that you'll probably be doing it with other tourists in the Guinness' Temple Bar neighborhood because when the parade is over most of the locals head home to a nice dinner and an evening of calm entertainment.

The castle, named Luggala, is on 5,000 acres and lies within its original 18th-century gardens surrounded by old Irish oaks, emerald lawns, heather and wildflowers overlooking the dark blue water of Lough (Lake) Tay. Though not of massive proportions and tall spires, Luggala, a former hunting lodge, is comprised of 19,099 square feet of living space with a total of 27 bedrooms and 18 full baths. With its low-lying crenellated roofline, the whitewashed structure makes a striking statement against the dark-wooded backdrop. Leaning toward Gothic style, it is awash with little battlements, crochets, trefoil and quatrefoil windows and ogee mantelpieces throughout. Structures on the property include the main house with seven bedrooms, dining room, large entrance hall, three main reception rooms and library, a four-bedroom guest house and another 17 bedrooms between seven lodges and cottages within the estate. A fascinating story of the estate's history can be found in "Luggala Days: The Story of a Guinness House" by Robert O'Byrne, who tells that it was once called "the most decorative honey pot in Ireland" and elaborates on its scandals and intrigues.

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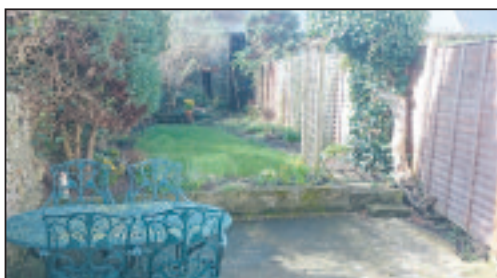
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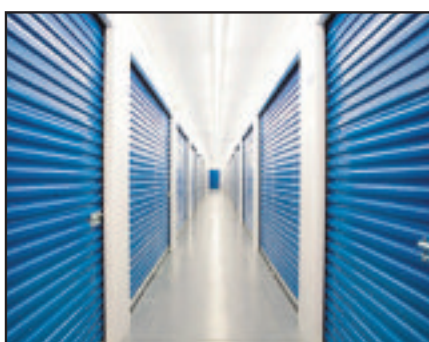
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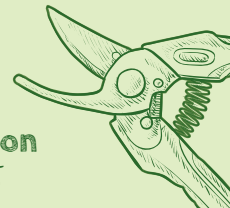


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# ZOE e-sport concept: Renault's electric car races ahead

THE Renault ZOE e-sport concept car revealed at the 2017 Geneva Motor Show showcases Renault's commitment to the ongoing development of electric vehicles.

Based on the all-electric ZOE's supermini platform, ZOE e-sport concept draws on Groupe Renault's three years of success in the FIA Formula E Championship. This all-electric single-seater series, fought on challenging street circuits around the world, has proved a popular and accessible way for the public to enjoy high-performance electric racing.

The two-seater ZOE e-sport concept echoes the styling of the latest Renault single-seater race cars, and its colour scheme reflects the livery of the e.dams team. The lightweight body structure is made of carbon fibre, and the car tips the scales at just 1,400kg, including the battery (450kg). This minimal weight in addition to excellent aerodynamics, power close to 460bhp and torque of 640Nm, helps the car to accelerate from standstill to 62mph in 3.2 seconds.

"The brief for the Renault ZOE e-sport concept couldn't have been simpler: 'Have fun!'. So we came up with something midway between a production model and a racing car... It's perfect for lovers of extreme driving sensations!" Stéphane

Janin, Director, Concept Car Design

"At Renault, we believe that electric cars are capable of addressing the needs of all types of customers, with the emphasis on driving enjoyment... The Renault ZOE e-sport concept is a stunning expression of this!" Eric Feunteun, Director, Electric Vehicle Programme

Renault launched a full range of EVs in 2012 and continues to stand out as the market leader today. The brand continues to explore every facet of electric motoring thanks to a programme spearheaded by the ZOE.

The Renault ZOE is an all-electric car that delivers a smooth, agile ride. Uniquely enjoyable to drive, it is built to the highest environmental standards.

The New Renault ZOE premiered at the 2016 Paris Motor Show and marks an important step in the development of mass-market electric vehicles. Its driving range is 250 miles (NEDC), equivalent to real-world range of around 186 miles in summer and 124 miles in winter. The New Z.E.40 battery takes the worry out of charging the car while opening up a wider spectrum of journey options. The New ZOE also comes with a new, improved suite of connected services to make electric motoring easier, including Z.E. Trip and Z.E. Pass.

## ZOE supermini offers unrivalled range

The ZOE supermini is now available with a high-energy-density Z.E. 40 battery, and this large storage capacity converts directly into an extended range of 250 miles (NEDC). This translates to a real-world range of 186 miles in summer and 124 miles in cold winter conditions.

When fitted with the Z.E. 40 battery, the ZOE boasts the longest driving range of any mass-market fully electric car, yet it is still the market's most affordable electric car. Orders have risen by nearly 40 per cent in Europe since the new version was released in October 2016.

Since 2015, the ZOE has been fitted with an all-Renault motor that combines outstanding efficiency with optimal electronic battery management, which restricts the level of electricity consumption on the move without reducing power.

Driving a Renault electric vehicle is punchy, smooth and reassuring. The all-electric ZOE delivers all these sensations thanks the brand's EV technology and to management of the delivery of power to the wheels, geared toward driving enjoyment. The ZOE takes a fresh approach to electric mobility by ensuring a dynamic, noise- and vibrations-free experience, with no gearshifts required, and it emits

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## Nissan unveils premium new Micra Bose® Personal® Edition at Geneva Motor Show

A PREMIUM new limited edition of the all-new Nissan Micra has been unveiled at the Geneva Motor Show.

The BOSE Personal Edition is based on the range-topping Tekna grade, but comes with a number of extras and personalisation features as standard. Offering exceptional value for money, only 3,000 examples will be available across Europe.

As the car's name suggests, its specification has been created to celebrate Nissan's collaboration with BOSE, premium audio partner on the all-new Micra. It comes with the unique-to-Micra BOSE Personal sound system, with twin BOSE UltraNearfield™ speakers built into the driver's seat head rest. This innovative design, combined with BOSE

signal processing, provides a spacious and immersive 360° listening experience for the driver.

The sound can also be personalised to suit the driver's tastes with the help of the BOSE PersonalSpace Control feature built into the Micra's audio settings. It provides an adjustable range of options, from a precise and front-focused sound to a much wider and enveloping experience.

Marc Mansell, Vice President, BOSE Automotive Systems, commented: "We engineered the BOSE Personal sound system to deliver unexpectedly big sound from a limited number of components. Using just six high-performance speakers and our latest signal processing technology, the system rewards Micra owners with a superior, fully-customisable audio experience unlike anything else available today."

The Nissan Micra BOSE Personal Edition is available in one of two vibrant exterior

colours – Enigma Black or Gunmetal Grey – and each is enhanced with Energy Orange elements from the Micra's personalisation program. Stylish orange finishers are fitted to the front and rear bumper, doors, door mirrors and 17-inch alloy wheels. All are added by hand in the factory – in Flins, France – for a guaranteed high-quality finish.

Full LED headlamps create a striking night-time signature for the car, as well as exceptional visibility for improved road safety. The finishing touches to the exterior are the high-quality anodised black and orange stickers on the roof and bonnet, plus unique BOSE Personal badging on the

Micra's B-pillars.

Personalisation is also a key part of the car's interior appeal. Soft-touch, double-stitched Energy Orange material has been used to enhance the look of the dashboard and gear surround, while there's matching detailing on the seats, floor mats and door sills.

As it's based on Tekna trim, the Micra BOSE Personal Edition already has a high level of standard equipment. This includes the NissanConnect infotainment system with DAB digital radio and satellite navigation, Nissan Intelligent Key and an arm rest between the front seats.

It also comes with the Safety Pack as standard, which in-

cludes Intelligent Emergency Braking with Pedestrian Recognition, Traffic Sign Assist, Intelligent Lane Intervention – a technology which smoothly guides the car back to the centre of a lane – is also fitted.

Intelligent Around View Monitor – Nissan's innovative parking camera system – plus Idle Stop&Start, heated front seats and a spare wheel are all on the options list.

To maximise customer choice, the Nissan Micra BOSE Personal Edition is available with either the 0.9-litre 90 PS three-cylinder downsized turbo petrol engine or the 1.5-litre 90 PS turbodiesel. It will go on sale this summer.



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Such is the demand for pre-owned examples of the versatile all-wheel drive SUV, that 2017 YTD sales figures of used internal fleet vehicles represent an increase of over 43 per cent compared to the same period in 2016.

In addition to more and more motorists appreciating the significant benefits of plug-in hybrid electric vehicles, the sales growth has been driven by Mitsubishi Motors in the UK's focus on making its pre-owned vehicles even more appealing to retail customers, as well as the continued expansion of its dealer network.

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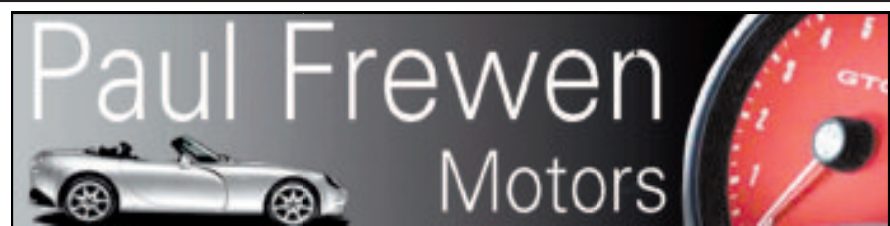
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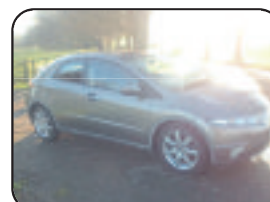
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Brixham AFC	30	60
Teignmouth	29	60
Newton Abbot Spurs	29	59
Stoke Gabriel	27	58
Appledore	27	55
AXMINSTER TOWN	30	52
Crediton Utd	27	50
Torrington	29	47
St Martins	29	36
Sidmouth Town	28	36
Liverton Utd	28	32
Alphington	29	31
Exeter University	24	30
Galampton Utd	29	30
Bovey Tracey	28	28
Totnes & Dartington	26	21
Budleigh Salterton	24	18
Exwick Villa	27	16

D&E Premier (28) Pld Pts		
Honiton Town	21	55
Newtown	21	51
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Topsham Town	21	31
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**Exwick Villa 1  
Axminster Town 2**  
SW Peninsula Div One (E)  
VICTORY at Lowly Exwick Villa sees Axminster Town reinforce their fifth place position in the SW Peninsula League Division One table and ultimately coincided with interim boss Jon Hurford being offered the job on a full time basis.

After a scrappy opening quarter of the match The Tigers, missing unavailable trio Sam Dibling, Luke Finna and keeper Scott Wells-Burr, took the lead when Aaron Daniels finished well with the outside of his boot for his fourth goal in three matches.

The lead was doubled on the stroke of half time when striker Jamie Barfoot got on the end of a cross and finished well.

Danny Clay went close to adding a third only to be denied by an horrendous bobbie on the far from ideal surface.

At the other end Brett Garner, standing in for Wells-Burr, pulled off a couple of fine stops but hopes of a first clean sheet in 16 matches ended 20 minutes from time when Garner saved well but Chris Clarke was on-hand to nod in the rebound.

A pleased Hurford told *Pulman's Sport*: "We knew it would be a tough game, they are scrapping away and their narrow pitch is always a test. We felt that once we broke them down we would go on and win the match. Neither side was really on top throughout the match, it was that sort of game."

Of his goal scorers the new Tigers boss said: "Aaron continues to go from strength-to-strength, he's really come on this season and I was pleased for Barf he was our Man of the Match and did everything we asked for him up top, he held the ball up well with his back to goal and this enabled the rest of the team to link higher up the pitch."

"They [Exwick] came at us strongly late on but we did the basics in clearing our lines and saw out the win."

Things could be tougher for the Tigers next Saturday when they head off to take on title chasing Brixham AFC with Hurford likely to name himself on the bench.

**Axminster:** Brett Garner, Ben Clay, Mark Smale, Chris Ducheski, Elliott Dyer, Aaron Daniels, Callum Garrett, Danny Clay, Tony Pinder, Ben Vine, Jamie Barfoot, Subs: Nathan Warren, Liam Cleal, Craig Every.

**Heavitree United 4  
Beer Albion 3**  
Devon & Exeter Premier  
BEER Albion were pipped by Heavitree United in a tense, bruising seven-goal thriller at Wingfield Park on Saturday writes Richard Honnor.

The condition of the playing surface was abysmal - it was cut-up, uneven and grassless in places - and contributed to mistakes on both sides. But it did make for an exciting spectacle with Heavies dominating the possession but with Beer always

looking dangerous on the counter.

From the outset Heavitree imposed themselves and the Beer defence, missing centre back Andrew Foster, were regularly brushed aside by their strong running opponents.

The Heavies should have been two goals up within five minutes but two chances were squandered from close range after poor marking.

The hosts took the lead on 24 minutes with a Jordan Harris header from a corner which was deflected in off the post by Beer full back Josh Moughton as he tried to clear his lines.

It would have been 2-0 two minutes later but for a flying save by keeper Mark Rooke after the Heavies had once again cut through Beer's defence.

But Beer equalised on the half hour when midfielder Pedro Fontes started a move deep in his own half before an interchange of passes between Simon Smith and Walker ended with Smith providing a clinical finish from 12 yards.

The Fishermen almost went ahead on 40 minutes when Walker crossed to Fontes whose shot was cleared off the line with the keeper beaten.

But with half-time approaching Heavitree went 2-1 ahead when a long pass out of defence found Harris who beat Rooke with a low shot from 18 yards.

Beer were gifted an equaliser within a minute of the restart when Walker was brought down in the box and Smith converted the resulting penalty.

But on 52 minutes Heavitree again edged in front through a bizarre own goal from Shaun Denslow who, in an attempt to clear a low cross, half-volleyed into his own net.

But the plucky Fishermen would not lie down. On 62 minutes, they levelled at 3-3 when, after fine work from MoM Walker split the Heavies wide open and Fontes slammed the ball home from six yards.

Good chances came and went at both ends, but Heavitree clinched the points three minutes from time when Matt Byrne hit an unstoppable shot from way out that flew into the top corner. This was hard on the Fishermen whose battling performance deserved a point.

Next Saturday, Beer entertain struggling Hatherleigh Town at the Furzebrake (3pm ko), the match sponsor is Beer Ball Albion.

**Starcross Generals 3  
Millway Rise 2**  
Division Five  
THIS game was rather lacklustre with both sides making elementary mistakes all over the field for the first 35 minutes writes Dick Sturch.

It was then that the game provided some purpose when Nathan Wormesley's shot was tipped over and from the resulting Sam Turner corner Shane Featherstone's powerful header gave the visitors a slender lead at half time.

Five minutes after the restart

the home side were level from a 20-yard free kick that gave stand in keeper Matt Lewis no chance.

A few minutes later the Generals split Millway's defence and took the lead only for Wormesley to stab home the equaliser two minutes later.

Millway began making far more inroads into their opponents half. Featherstone struck the crossbar from distance and Alex Rocket's strike from even further out was brilliantly saved by the home keeper.

Continuous Millway pressure was eventually undone in the final minutes when Rocket was adjudged to have handled from a shot, which no way he could have evaded. This provided O'Brien the chance to secure the winner from the spot.

Turner, Rocket and Zak Meaker were all prominent for Rise while Lewis in goal could not be faulted for the goals.

**Millway Rise Res 0  
Amory Green Rovers Res 0**  
Division Nine

In their penultimate game of the season Millway missed a hosts of chances and felt they had thrown two points away.

The visitors didn't have one shot on home goal throughout the match.

It did give the home side another clean sheet but they still need to win in the return fixture next week to guarantee a third place finish.

Leon Finbow, Dave Bridges and Henry Alexander Mitchell were the Millway stars.

**D&E Round-up**  
with Collin Goodwin & Howard Larcombe

HONITON TOWN struck a massive blow in their quest their first ever Premier title when they demolished their nearest rivals NEWTOWN 4-0 on their own turf.

Braces from Tim Genders and Aiden Barrett did the job for the Hippos, and they will be full of confidence when the pair meet again in the reverse this Saturday.

Third placed ELMORE kept up the chase with a 6-3 victory at reigning champions TOPSHAM TOWN.

OKEHAMPTON ARGYLE took their winning streak to 10 with a 5-3 win against FENITON. Mark Simic, Ben Allen and Louis Hilton scored for Fenny.

SEATON TOWN were 3-0 winners at EXMOUTH AMATEURS with Jacob Rowe, Kyle Freeman and Josh French (pen) on target.

HENRY'S CRONIES are through to the Firewatch Devon Senior cup final after knocking out the holders EXETER UNIVERSITY RES 4-1.

The semi was switched to the college ground after last week's abandonment, but this time the Cronies made sure with Liam Carey (2), Matt Fanson and Billy Rouse scoring.

Cronies were also hoping to be crowned Division One champions had WELLINGTON TOWN RES managed to take points off WITHERIDGE RES, but the mid-Devon side kept them waiting

with a 4-0 victory.

SIDMOUTH TOWN RES moved into second place after winning 3-1 at COLYTON whose consolation came from Callum Somers, and LYME REGIS beat ALPHINGTON RES 3-2 to keep their hopes of a top three slot alive. Dom Rowe, Rob Fellingham and Dec Ellis won it for Lyme who played the last half with 10-men after Fellingham was red-carded for handball on the line.

The LYME REGIS RESERVES were also celebrating after beating STOKE HILL 2-1 to reach their first ever Football Express cup final. Ryan Fifer and Mark Batey scored for the Seaside's who also peppered the woodwork.

UPOTTERY RES are through to the Geary cup final thanks to a 1-0 win against ILMINSTER TOWN RES.

PERRY STREET underlined their claim towards the Division Three crown as they stormed to a 9-0 win against CLYST VALLEY.

Their closest rivals EXETER UNIVERSITY and BAMPPTON both won but AXMINSTER TOWN suffered a setback as they crashed 5-3 a home to NEWTON POPPLEFORD where Gary Spiller (2) and Brad-Lee Miller bagged the consolations.

CREDITON UNITED made up a little ground on leaders ROYAL OAK in Division Five with a 4-2 win at BEER ALBION, as did WINCHESTER but they had a far harder task to shade NORTH TAWTON 5-4.

CRANBROOK kept alive their slim hopes of winning the Division Seven title after a 3-2 win at SEATON TOWN. Karl Suggs scored twice.

Finally, Pete Smith scored the consolation as AXMINSTER TOWN 3rds were thrashed 6-1 at BRAVEHEARTS' in Division Eight.

### RESULTS

DEVON SENIOR CUP SF  
Cronies 4, University of Exeter 1.  
DEVON INTERMEDIATE CUP SF  
Cwood Inn 4, Torbay Police 1.  
Hemyock 2, Royal Oak FC 3.  
MACRON DEVON & EXETER PREMIER  
Bow AAC 2, Newton St Cyres 7.  
Clyst Valley 2, Hatherleigh Tn 1.  
Exmouth 0, Seaton Town 3.  
Heavitree Utd 4, Beer Albion 3.  
Newtown 0, Honiton Town 4.  
Okehampton 5, Feniton 3.  
Topsham Town 3, Elmore 6.  
DIVISION ONE  
Alphington 2, Lyme Regis 3.  
Colyton 1, Sidmouth Town 3.  
DIVISION TWO  
Axmouth United 2, Lympstone 4.  
Chagford 2, University 1.  
Halwill 0, Lapford 5.  
Newtown 1, Budleigh Salt 0.  
DIVISION THREE  
Axminster Tn 3, N Poppleford 5.  
Culm United 0, Bampton 4.  
Honiton Town 0, University 3.  
Perry Street 9, Clyst Valley 0.  
DIVISION FOUR  
Countess Wear 0, Kentisbeare 2.  
Ottery St Mary 2, Ottertton 2.  
Priory 2, University 5.  
Sanford 2, Thorverton 2.  
St Martins 0, Pinhoe 0.  
DIVISION FIVE  
Alphington 0, Newton St Cyres 1.  
Awliscombe Utd 1, South Zeal 4.  
Beer Albion 2, Crediton Utd 4.  
Starcross Gen 3, Millway Rise 2.  
Winchester 5, North Tawton 4.

DIVISION SIX  
Dunkeswell Rovers 1, Halwill 6.  
Elmore 4, Offwell Rangers 1.  
Exwick Village 2, Tivvy Park 0.  
Winkleigh 4, Central FC 4.  
DIVISION SEVEN  
Bickleigh 7, Colyton 0.  
Exmouth Spar 4, Sidmouth Tn 2.  
K&M?Polonia 0, Ch Fitzpaine 6.  
Seaton Town 2, Cranbrook 3.  
DIVISION EIGHT  
Amory Green 1, Bampton 4.  
Bravehearts 6, Axminster Tn 1.  
Queens Head 5, N Poppleford 3.  
DIVISION NINE  
Millway Rise 0, Amory Green 0.  
Wetheridge 6, Tedburn St Mary 2.  
FOOTBALL EXPRESS CUP SF  
Lyme Regis 2, Stoke Hill 1.  
GEARY CUP  
Upottery 1, Iminster Town 0.

Sunday, March 12TH  
CARLSLE CUP QF  
Feniton A-W Bravehearts  
Upottery 3 Awliscombe United 1

### FIXTURES

**Tomorrow (Wednesday)**  
AXMINSTER HOSPITAL CUP  
Budleigh Salterton v Seaton Town  
**Saturday, March 18th**  
PREMIER  
Beer Albion v Hatherleigh Town  
Clyst Valley v Seaton Town  
Elmore v Feniton  
Heavitree United v Okehampton Argyle  
Honiton Town v Newtown  
Newton St Cyres v Topsham Town  
Upottery v Exmouth Amateurs  
DIVISION 1  
Colyton v Lyme Regis  
Exmouth Town v Wellington Town  
Wetheridge v Sidmouth Town  
DIVISION 2  
Dawlish v Woodbury  
Lapford v Chagford  
Tipton St John v University  
DIVISION 3  
Axminster Town v University  
DIVISION 4  
Ottertton v Countess Wear Dynamos  
Priory v Sandford  
University v Sampford Peverell  
Uplowman Athletic v Kentisbeare  
DIVISION 5  
Awliscombe United v Beer Albion  
Feniton v South Zeal  
Millway Rise v Royal Oak  
North Tawton v Alphington  
Winchester v Whipton & Pinhoe  
DIVISION 6  
Central v Elmore  
Dunkeswell Rovers v Winkleigh  
Exwick Village v Silvertown  
Hemyock v Halwill  
Lyme Regis v Hatherleigh Town  
DIVISION 7  
Bickleigh v Wellington Town  
Seaton Town v T H Dons  
Woodbury v Sidmouth Town  
DIVISION 8  
Bravehearts v Seven Stars Kennford  
Kentisbeare v Upottery  
Sandford v Axminster Town  
DIVISION 9  
Tedburn St Mary v Honiton Town  
BILL SLEE CUP  
Lymington v Dawlish United  
Perry Street v Thorverton  
GRANDISSON CUP  
Axmouth United v Honiton Town  
Sunday, March 19th  
MORRISON BELL CUP  
N.Poppleford v Budleigh Salt (noon)

### PERRY STREET LEAGUE

HAWKCHURCH United remain in the hunt for promotion from Division One after thrashing Shepton Beau Res 9-0 with goals from James Melville (4), Glenn Harding (2), Gavin Herrod, Brad Cross and Ollie Pearse.  
But FAWR UNITED RESERVES crashed out of the Reg Eglo cup beaten 3-0 in the quarter final at Crewkerne Rangers Res.  
Meanwhile, Eastlee Park was waterlogged for the FARWAY first team's scheduled visit by Charmouth for a Daisy Hutchings Cup quarter final tie.

### football tables

D&E Div 6 (24) Pld Pts		
Winkleigh	18	49
Exwick Village	20	44
Halwill Reserves	20	33
Central FC	16	33
Hemyock	17	31
Lyme Regis Reserves	14	30
Offwell Rangers	20	30*
Elmore Reserves	16	22
Stoke Hill	18	20
Dunkeswell Rovers	20	18
Tivvy Park Rangers	18	17
Hatherleigh Reserves	19	8
Silvertown	20	5

D&E Div 7 (22) Pld Pts		
Iminster Town Res	21	53
Cranbrook	21	51
Wellington 3rds	21	48
Exmouth Spartans	20	37
Sidmouth Town 3rds	19	33
K&M Polonia Exeter	20	24
Ceriton Fitzpaine	20	22
Bickleigh Reserves	18	20
Woodbury Reserves	19	19
Seaton Town Res	17	16*
Colyton Reserves	18	7
HT Dons	20	7

D&E Div 8 (22) Pld Pts		
Upottery Reserves	18	47
Bravehearts	18	42
Axminster Town 3rds	20	38*
Queen's Head	21	34
Kentisbeare Reserves	18	31
Lapford Reserves	20	31
Bampton Reserves	20	30
Newtown Popd Res	22	26
Amory Green Rovers	20	25
Bradinch	22	15
Seven Stars Kennford	20	12*
Sandford Reserves	17	8

D&E Div 9 (18) Pld Pts		
St Martins 3rds (C)	18	37
Wetheridge 3rds	18	35
Chagford Reserves	18	34
Millway Rise Res	17	31
East Budleigh Res	18	29
Honiton Town 3rds	17	28
Tedburn St Mary Res	17	20
Amory Green Res	17	17
Central FC Reserves	18	15
Feniton 3rds	18	7

Perry Street Prem (20) Pld Pts		
Beaminsten	15	37
Barrington	15	37
South Petherton	15	34
Shepton Beauchamp	14	29
Misterton	14	26
Winsham Utd	16	26
W & M Chinnock	16	16
Netherbury	14	12
Chard Utd	13	11
Combe Reserves	15	5*
Drimpton	15	0

Perry St Div 1 (18) Pld Pts		
Pymore	11	24
Forton Rangers	12	23
Waytown Hounds	12	23
Merriott Rovers	11	20
Hawkchurch Utd	9	19
Iminster Town Colts	12	16
Uplymere	11	14
Shepton Beau Res	13	14
Combe A	12	8
South Petherton Res	13	2

Perry St Div 2 (18) Pld Pts		
Halstock	12	30
Chard Rangers	12	30
Farway Utd	13	27
Charmouth	15	26
Winsham Utd Res	14	25
Dowlish & Donnyatt	14	15
Thorncombe	14	13
Kingsbury Episcopi	15	12
Crewkerne Rangers	11	7
Chard Utd Reserves	12	6

Uplyme Reserves .....	12	27
Forton Rangers Res .....	11	27
Merriott Dynamos .....	13	21
Ilminster Town A .....	16	23
Crewk Rangers Res .....	14	23
Thorncombe Res .....	14	19
Lyme Regis Rovers .....	14	17
Fivehead .....	13	16
Chard Rangers Res .....	15	1
Farway Utd Res .....	14	1
Chard Utd All Stars .....	13	2



tee off golf news

# Axe Cliff seniors battle back

## CRICKET ST THOMAS

with Bert Robinson

THE FORTY four seniors took part in the Canadian Greensome competition last Monday when a combination of light rain and slow greens took its toll on the scoring.

Result: 1st Keith Branchflower & John Pearce 61.625, 2nd Roger Stone & Stuart Forbes 63.875, 3rd Martyn Bargery & Richard Forster 67.500.

The weather conditions on Wednesday caused the postponement of the seventh round of the winter league programme.

On Friday, the Seniors committee combined with the rest of the seniors in a three-man Texas scramble.

Twelve teams of three were formed with a committee member included in each team.

Result: 1st Ted Bryden; Ian Fielder & Bob Hollingsworth 60.5, 2nd Barrie Heath; Ian Griffiths & George Wallace 61.0, 3rd Maurice Arnold; Bert Robinson & Bill Hilson 61.67.

## AXE CLIFF

with Peter Motson

THE Ladies section played their third County Prize Stableford competition last Wednesday when the weather was not great - especially on the back nine when a very eerie black swirl of mist, cloud and rain appeared from nowhere.

The scores however were good, in first was Jo Donmall with 33pts, second was Helen Kenworthy (32) and in third was Stella Thompson (31).

The Seniors' match against Cricket St Thomas was played at Axe Cliff when, despite losing the first two pairings, the team rallied and ran out winners 3.5

points to 2.5 points.

Leighton Morgan & David Evans continued their good run of success with a fine 2&1 win; Malcolm Reynolds & Adrian Bishop came from behind to win the last hole and halve their match. Chris Walker & John Ashbolt comfortably won their game 2up.

But the stars were Gerry Turner & Brian Thompson who won a very close game 2&1. Brian is quite a new member to the Seniors Section and is going to be an excellent team member playing off a handicap of 12.

The Seniors also played a mixed match against the Ladies when captain Jo Donmall and Dave Bruce decided to test everyone with an American Greensomes format.

This is a popular game with both golfers teeing off before swapping balls for their second shot. After the second shot the pairing chooses which ball to continue playing and alternate strokes for the hole.

Gilbert Cox, relying heavily on his partner Barbara Cummings, managed to take third prize with 28 points closely followed with 29 points by Malcolm Reynolds & Sandra Walker who was in fine putting form leaving Malcolm to concentrate on his chipping.

The winners were John Pugh, still carrying his 10 clubs, and Margaret Kenchington who was the star.

They managed 31 points which is good going as only 15 holes were played. Malcolm Glass & Jo Donmall scored the only two of the event.

## HONITON with John Pawley

THE weather has featured greatly in affecting golf opportu-

nities this past week.

Right up till the latter part of January we were congratulating ourselves on our lack of missed days golf.

Having played off grass tees all the winter, and rarely having to use temporary greens, the recent occasions where days have been lost due to rain and fog seem all that more frustrating.

The competition this week for the Tuesday Mixed was 'Four Clubs and a Putter'.

The wet conditions and restricted number of clubs meant it was no surprise that the scores were lower than usual. In first place with 31 points were Stephani & Bob Barnes with Maureen Tollemache & Mike Delaney second with 30. Next, on count-back, were Sue Kelson & Ron Graham from Janet Hughes 7 James Liell (both with 28) in fourth.

Well over 60 Seniors played the course on Friday when the competition was changed from a 3BBB to a Stableford and Eclectic - to accommodate another Eclectic round.

Top of Division One was Dave Morgan with 37 points - and he can now rest for many weeks, as he recovers from a knee op very soon. Ron Graham came second with 35, with Peter Clarke and Pat Purtell third and fourth with 34.

Division Two was won by Bob Underwood with 37 and he was followed by ex-Padbrook Park recruit Nick Mitchell ahead of George Smith - both 35. Fourth, and still with 35 was Mike Jones.

In the ball sweep for 2s, there were two members who benefited - David Scott on the 12th and Peter Clarke on the second each winning 21 balls.

## hockey chard

# Vital win in bid to beat drop

## Chard Ladies 4 Taunton Vale 3rds 3

CHARD Ladies came from behind to beat top of the league Taunton Vale 3rds at Holyrood School on Saturday.

Vale took the lead only for Chard to equalise when Rachel Ireland-Jones burst through the centre of midfield and slotted the ball to Ruth Butcher who made no mistake in firing into the bottom corner.

But the visitors regained the lead early in the second half with a strike from the edge of D.

Back came Chard and Ireland-Jones and Butcher linked again and the latter

scored her second of the match to make it 2-2.

However, a string of short corners eventually led to Taunton taking the lead for the third time in the match only for Butcher to complete her hat trick after more good work from Ireland-Jones.

The winner came when defender Lorraine Szczepanski, found Player-of-the-Match Butcher who hammered the ball into the net to put Chard ahead for the first time and they held on to clinch the win ahead of next weekend's visit by Burnham-on-Sea for another must-win game in their bid to avoid relegation.



■ **BATTLING AWAY:** The Chard Ladies first team; Standing, from left) L. Szczepanski, L.Blackshaw, R. Butcher, H.McGown, K. Jones, R.Ireland-Jones, K.Phillips Front; N. Slade, A. Wheaton, E. Cridland, M.Taylor, S.Taylor, A.Goss.

# Big win for Bishop

CHARD Angling Club held a match at Perry Street Pond on Sunday and lots of carp were caught by the 17 entrants including some big fish along with quite a few skimmers.

78lb 10oz (peg 4), 2nd Les Braunton (Chard) - 57lb 8oz (peg 1), 3rd Steve Bush (Chard) - 45lb (peg 10), 4th Andy Winters (Chard) - 40lb 2oz (peg 17).

18lb 6oz  
B - Brendon Ions (Team Tango) - 26lb 4oz  
C - Jamie Rich (Against Men and Fish) - 37lb 8oz  
D - Mike Smith (Chard) - 30lb 4oz

## Sections

1st Steve Bishop (Chard) -

A - Steve Osborne (Chard) -

## on the frontier around the local skittles leagues

### CAPTAINS' Cup qualifying (top three from each group to final)

**Axminster Inn group;** Mark Enticott (Cloakham B) 79; Simon Flint (Red Lion A) 62; Gerald Miller (Cloakham C) 60; D Jones (New Inn A) 59; D Thompson (Red Lion Cavaliers) 57; B Dicks (Lamb B) 56; D Coombes (Tuckers Arms B) 56; B Dowell (Kingfisher B) 54; B Stuckey (Axminster Con) 54;

**Kingfisher;** Brian Pike (Cloakham A) 52; James Tucker (Gerrard B) 51; Tony Underdown (Gerrard A) 48 after throw-off with Dennis Gammon (Win-stons A) 48; R Tedbury (Colyton Club) 46; T Hammett (Wheelwright A) 46; P Neild (PJs) 45;

**Winstons;** Maxy French (Seaton AFC A) 75; Roger Gibbons (Whitehart B) 73; Dave Park (Seaton AFC B) 73; S Ward (Beer A) 66; M Archibold (Beer B) 62; Barbara Thompson (Seaton Bowling) 60; S Richards (Kingfisher A) 56; J Cobbold (Beer Albion) 54; J Cooke (Kings Arms A) 47;

**Mountbatten Park;** Matt Woollacott (Honiton Con BTP) 70; Sheila Davenport (Vine A) 66; Graham Sweetland (Sidbury Stones) 66; P Norman (Honiton Con B) 60; D Crabb (Heathfield A) 58; A Hutchinson (Honiton Converts) 55; R Quick (Awliscombe Harts) 54; P Dale (Honiton Con Artists) 53; T

Patch (Tuckers C) 53; W Tratt (Honiton Con D) 52;

**Honiton Conservative Club;** Charlie Hutchings (Eagle tavern) 60; Ian Bell (Offwell A) 59; Nigel Barrett (Sidbury Lions) 58; Gill Quick (Heathfield B) 57; G Hart (Honiton WMC B) 49.

## AXMINSTER

### Results 8th March

**Div 1:** Red Lion D 382 (T Herbert 68) Green Army 392 (R Chapple 77), Wootton Cowboys 348 (P Studley 67) Old Kilm A 301 (M Collier 58), Tuckers C 365 (S Spiller, D Roberts 66) Thorncombe Drifters 359 (P Waller 65), B&Gs 329 (B Pring 59) Gerrard D 332 (M List 60), Kingfisher Feds 323 (P Squire 61) Thorncombe B 269 (M Turner 53), Ax Con Rebels 302 (M Summers 56) Red Devils 295 (J Herbert 57), Sidmouth Arms 354 (T Bright 67) Lamb Spartans 345 (S Hall, S Flint 59).

**Div 2:** WH Warriors 352 (B Dormer 72) WH Wilm A 316 (D Olive 62), Gerrard A 349 (R Smith 64) Ax Inn Jokers 340 (D Churchill 66), Cloakham Stars 352 (J Crabbe 68) Tuckers Maggots 359 (D Godwin 67), Thorncombe C 343 (T Ellis 68) Wootton Sherberts 346 (A Churchill 61), New Inn C 349 (D Webb 68) Colcombe A 337 (N Bond, F Batten 60).

**Div 3:** Colcombe B 429 (M Loud 88) Kings Arms Seaton 415 (K Tozer 74), Ax FC A 391 (D Sloman 84) Ax Con Club A 402 (A Thomas

80), King Wingers 299 (P Brooker 57) Ax Inn B 314 (J Bailey, A Beer 58), WH Wilm B 356 (A Fensome 63) Gerrard B 377 (A Dymond 69), Ax Inn A 323 (S Fifer, S McAuley 63) Ax Fc Halfcuts 338 (I Strawbridge, N Herrod 67), Ax FC B 398 (W Apsey 80) Ax FC IV 421 (G Herrod 83).

**Div 4:** Colcombe Nomads 399 (S Cross 72) Lamb Shanks 368 (P Patemore, M Pritchard 67), Gerrard C 329 (R Warren 63) Tuckers Y 322 (M Rowe 57), Seaton BC 280 (T Hurley-Smith 57) Winstons 272 (Tony Cezzy 48).

**Division One**

Pld	Pts
Ax Con Club Rebels	22 34
B & Gs	22 30
Lamb Spartans	22 30
Wootton Cowboys	22 26
Sidmouth Arms	22 26
Tuckers C	22 24
Green Army	22 22
Thorncombe B	22 22
Red Lion Red Devils	22 20
The Feds (Kingfisher)	22 20
Thorncombe Drifters	22 16
Red Lion D	22 14
Gerrard D	22 12
Old Inn Kilmingdon A	22 12

**Division Two**

Pld	Pts
Wootton Sherberts	22 34
Thorncombe A	22 32
New Inn Kilmingdon C	22 24
Ax Inn Jokers	22 24
Thorncombe C	22 24
Tuckers Maggots	22 24
Colcombe A	22 24
Red Lion C	22 20
White Hart Warriors	22 19
White Hart Wilm A	22 18
Gerrard A	22 16
New Inn Kilm A	22 16
Cloakham Stars	22 14
Lamb A	22 9

**Division Three**

Pld	Pts
Axminster Inn B	20 30
Axminster FC IV	20 24
King Wingers	21 24
Old Inn Kilmingdon B	20 24
Axe Con Club A	20 24
Gerrard B	20 24
Kings Arms Seaton A	20 20
Axminster Halfcuts	20 18
Axminster FC A	21 18
White Hart Wilm B	20 18
Axminster Inn A	20 17
Axminster FC B	21 12
Colcombe B	21 11

**Division Four**

Pld	Pts
Lamb 49s	19 31
Colcombe Nomads	20 28
Lamb Shanks	19 24
Seaton Bowling Club	18 22
New Inn Hawks	19 20
Bev's Boys	17 18
Winston Wobblers	19 17
Kingfisher A	19 16
Ship Rotary	17 14
Gerrard C	18 12
Tuckers Y	18 12
White Hart Colyford	16 8

**Ladies**

**Div 1:** Wotnots 370 (C Phillips 76) Gerrard Guzzlers 360 (R Hallworth 70), New Inn A 285 (J Bond 50), Red Lion A 315 (J Flint 68), Rousdon Ladies 312 (K Satterley 60) New Inn B 302 (M Mear 58), Colcombe A 401 (S Foxwell 87) Bees Knees 357 (R Hole 64), Seaton BC 288 (A Wright 58) Colcombe Girls 288 (E Jones, M Elworthy 51).

**Div 2:** Thorncombe A 332 (B Harding 62) WH Wilm A 275 (B Bunnage 53), Cloakham A 323 (W Kiy 69), Colcombe B 316 (C Collier, F Mann 58), Gerrard A 321 (S Price 58) B&Js Cloakham 332 (A Dredge, J White 58), Red Lion Rabble

286 (F Bagge 58) Tuckers B 326 (A Bennett 63), Ax Inn Allsorts 275 (R Enticott 55) Ax FC Battleaxes 283 (S Bennett 66), Colcombe Angels 322 (A Pearce 58) Seaton FC 337 (M Dack 61).

**Ladies Division One**

Pld	Pts
Axe Inn A	18 32
Wotnots	18 30
Seaton Bowling Club	18 24
Red Lion A	18 22
Rousdon Ladies	19 21
Colcombe A	19 20
Colcombe Girls	19 15
New Inn A	18 14
New Inn B	19 14
Gerrard Guzzlers	19 13
Bees Knees	20 13
Thorncombe Newtops	19 6

**Ladies Division Two**

Pld	Pts
Cloakham A	20 28
Colcombe B	20 24
Tuckers Arms B	19 24
Gerrard A	19 24
Battle Axes	19 22
White Hart Wilm A	20 22
B & Js	20 20
Seaton FC	19 20
Tuckers Arms A	20 16
Colcombe Angels	19 16
Thorncombe A	18 12
Axe Inn Allsorts	19 12
Red Lion Rabble	17 8

**Crewkerne & District**

**Division One**

Pld	Pts
Super Sexy Six	17 164
Lost Boys	17 151
Headhunters	17 134
Mighty Ducks	17 118
The Coachmen	17 117
Stray Cats	17 103
Football Club	17 99
King Willy Dogs	17 91
Rollers	17 83
Odd Bobs	17 70
Royal Oak Drimpton	17 46
Sports 92	17 42

**Division Two**

Pld	Pts
Brewers Bees	16 125
Pinbusters	16 113
Rugrats	15 106
Perrott Monkeys	15 105
Skimmers	15 100
Hillbills	15 85
Muppets	15 86
Ugly Ducklings	15 81
Raptors	16 76
Fudders	16 76
Fryers	16 67

**Division Three**

Pld	Pts
DBST	17 140
Admiral 6	17 123
The King's Jesters	17 121
Royal Chokers	17 115
Chis Colts	17 110
Willy Low Flyers	17 105
Sandbaggers	17 100
Concorde	17 93
Beer Leg Boys	17 86
Rotary	17 85
King's Men	17 79
The Likely Lads	17 67

**Top Score:** J Fullerton 66, T.Champion & V.Ball both 65.

**President's Cup SF;** Royal Chokers 257 Sports 92 266, Perrott Monkeys 264 Super Sexy Six 283.

**Presidents' Plate SF;** Pinbusters 267 Admiral 6 273, Football Club 270 DBST 252.

**ILMINSTER & DIST**

**Division One**

Pld	Pts
Rockey's Rollers	12 83
Crown Crusaders	12 78
Cricketers	12 72
Wyndham Warriors	12 72
Flying Turkeys A Stars	10 70
Flying Turkeys	11 67
Ashill Inn	11 63
Nomads	11 59
Hatch Beagles	11 48

**Division Two**

Pld	Pts
Bell A	11 86
Floater	12 83
Bell Broadway	11 81

Royal Oak Faces .....11 77  
Kings Head .....10 74  
Ilton Choppers .....11 65  
Ashill Boys .....9 65  
Wyndham Clangers .....11 46  
Hatch Eggs .....12 20

**EAST DEVON HUNT**

**Division One**

Pld	Pts
Culm Vale	20 28
Marvells	20 28
Blacksmiths	19 24
Ur Arms	19 24
Honiton Clyst	20 24
Talaton	19 20
Marsh Green	20 20
Stags	20 20
Foxenhole	20 18
Sutton Wanderers	20 18
Night Owls	20 17
Auctioneers	20 15
Upottery	19 10
Sidford	18 8

**Division Two**

Pld	Pts
Jack's Lads	17 26
Keepers	19 26
Latecomers	18 24
A Team	19 24
Perkins Village	18 23
Zulu Warriors	17 21
Cocks & Hens	19 20
Breakaways	16 16
Top Cats	18 15
Awilscombe Shoot	17 13
Tuckers Arms	17 13
Brooksiders	18 9
Bakers 8	19 4

**Division Three**

Pld	Pts
New Inn	16 24
Broadclyst	16 22
Bashers	12 19
Goldtops	17 19
Axe Valley	18 19
Yetties	14 18
Guys & Gals	17 16
Maynards	14 14
Here for the Beer	16 14
Yoyo's	16 12
Alley Cats	17 12
Cee Dee's	17 8
Earth Stoppers	14 7
Top Scores: Steve Webber 88, John Pethick 83.	



## darts chard &amp; district

Premier Division Pld	Pts	Cult of Personality	Pld	Pts
High 4 & a Half	11	220		
Rejects Return	11	203		
BDBs	10	139		
Wanderers	10	137		
Crusaders	10	136		
Hobnobs	10	133		
Happy Sharks	10	102		
Hopefuls	10	88		
Most 180s: P.Lawrence 9, L.Cox 8, G.Hill 5, S. Mainwaring 4, S.Rutter 3, six players 2, 13 players 1.				
Division One Pld	Pts	Division Two Pld	Pts	
Okey Doaks	13	162	HRT	12
Pop Darts	13	148	Happy Days	12
Random Tossers	12	139	Madhouse Crew	11
Down's	13	130	Dizzy Tarts	11
PAS	12	115	Stumpy's Gang	9
Pig Jockeys	12	104	The Haymaker	11
			No skill, just lucky	9
			Two minute crew	11
			Most 180s: A.Pidgeon, A.Mather, B.Allen, R.Davies, A.Sprake & K.Tovey all x1.	

## bowls east devon short mat

<b>Evening D1</b>	<b>Pld</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>Beer</b>	<b>Pld</b>	<b>Pts</b>
Beer	8	12	Utoperry	9	10
Sidbury	8	11	Offery St Mary	9	7
Sidbury Whites	7	8	Seaton Yellow	10	5
Musbury	9	8			
Colyton	9	7	<b>Afternoon D2</b>	<b>Pld</b>	<b>Pts</b>
Utoperry	8	6	St Teresa's	9	11
Seaton	7	4	Sidford Blue	9	10
			Seaton Blue	9	9
<b>Evening D2</b>	<b>Pld</b>	<b>Pts</b>	Combe St Nich B	9	9
West Hill	9	15	Chard	9	8
Awilcombe	10	12	Lyme Regis	9	7
Uffculme	8	10			
Offery St Mary	8	7	<b>Afternoon D3</b>	<b>Pld</b>	<b>Pts</b>
Sidbury Reds	8	7	Hemynock B	10	12
Colyton B	9	1	Musbury	10	12
			Seaton Green	9	11
<b>Afternoon D1</b>	<b>Pld</b>	<b>Pts</b>	Combe St Nich A	9	10
Colyton	9	12	Colyton B	9	8
Awilcombe	9	12	Sidford White	9	3

## snooker seaton &amp; district

## Casuals chasing silver double

RESULTS (March 7th); Colyton Feds 3+2 Colyton TC 3+0, Sidmouth Cons 3+6 Colyton Ex-Cons 3+0, Chard Casuals 1+0, Honiton Wanderers 5+0. **Top breaks:** Ben Pike 45, 32, 34.

Honiton Wanderers continue to open up their lead at the top in both the League and Bruce Miller Cup. The more interesting

League table Pld	Pts	Bruce Miller Cup Pld	Pts
Wanderers	15	82	
Colyton TC	14	44	
Chard Casuals	15	40	
Colyton ExCons	15	38	
Colyton Feds	14	37	
Sidmouth Cons	14	31	
Honiton WMC	14	26	

## darts colyton &amp; district

RESULTS (1001/Pairs first): **Week 20:** Dolphin A (45) Golden Hind 1(1); Halesy's Bar A (54) Kings Arms B (0/2); New Inn (0/2) Halesy's Bar A (54). **Week 21:** Dolphin B (4/3) New Inn (1/3); Halesy's Bar B (1/1) Halesy's Bar A (4/5); Kings Arms (4/3) Dolphin A (1/3); Golden Hind (3/5) Royal Clarence A (2/1); Kingfisher A (2/3) Vault B (3/3).

**Highest Makeouts:** 164 Christie Wantling (Halesy's Bar A); 151 Jamie McLennan (Kings Arms); 118 Andy Morgan (Halesy's Bar B).

**180s:** Paul Pomeroy (Golden Hind), Alan

1001 pairs Tuckey Cup Pld	Pts	Singles - Maumdrill Cup Pld	Pts
Halesy's Bar A	18	77	
Halesy's Bar B	17	63	
Kings Arms	18	56	
Vault A	17	52	
Dolphin A	18	50	
Golden Hind	18	46	
Kingfisher A	18	41	
Vault B	17	37	
Kingfisher B	15	31	
Dolphin B	16	29	
Clarence A	16	20	
New Inn	18	13	

## starter's orders running news

## One-two for local duo in 30th Grizzly

## Axe Valley Runners with Dave Mutter

A VERY tough race that made you tingle! that was the verdict on the nearly 20-mile 30th Grizzly subtitled "Pearl's a Stinger"

There was great celebration for host club when 18-year-old Jake Smith powered home to become the first ever AVR winner in 2:20:06.

At Branscombe mouth on the way out Jake was second, but on returning to that point had built a substantial lead which he held onto until the finish.

You knew you were in for a gloopy time when running down the hill into Branscombe the normally benign hill was just a sea of mud.

As usual there were plenty of runners tying ribbons on a specially constructed memorial on Branscombe beach with a pause to remember special people in their lives no longer with us.

Wayne Loveridge of Chard RR was 2nd while Elizabeth Dyson of Haldon Trail Runners was the ladies winner, 8th overall in a superb 2:32:23.

There were 1,555 finishers in the Grizzly - the other AVR results: Tim Lenton 7th, 2:30:02; Patrick Devine Wright 8th, 2:31:13; Terry Emmett 34th, 2:45:58; James Green 46th, 2:50:23; Laurence Edgeley 81st, 2:58:02; Matthew Hewer 86th, 2:58:52; Rupert Pady 98th, 2:59:22; Karl Hodson 140th, 3:06:17; Clare Hansford 160th, 3:09:49; Murat James Guler 214th, 3:17:10; Patrick Kinsella 245th, 3:19:32; Eleanor Wood 305th, 3:26:05; Simon Davey 373rd, 3:30:57; Richard

Hyde 375th, 3:32:04; Frances Hodson 392nd, 3:33:25; Karen Eyre 451st, 3:37:33; Steve Reynolds 463rd, 3:38:06; Steve Haines 466th, 3:38:44; Geoff Woodward 471st, 3:39:20; Lizzie Fontes 499th, 3:40:53; Ian Clements 544th, 3:44:44; Kelly Stamp 556th, 3:45:53; Stephen Grigg 561st, 3:45:48; Mike Clark 570th, 3:46:37; Steven Maclure 691st, 3:57:33; Pippa Wyatt 697th, 3:57:37; Tim Sibley 747th, 4:00:24; Alan Morbey 750th, 4:01:52; John Lacombe 835th, 4:08:45; Paul Johns 859th, 4:10:35; Simon Roberts 871st, 4:10:52; Rebecca Green 872nd, 4:10:54; Chris Boyd 907th, 4:13:41; Andy Goodman 949th, 4:16:30; Ragnild Kordt Richards 986th, 4:16:46; James Sibley 1,062nd, 4:24:18; Darren Samways 1,069th, 4:25:40; Tracey Anning-Beckett 1,075th, 4:25:18; Angela Kerr 1,142nd, 4:33:37; Canny Hart 1,151st, 4:34:46; Yvette Hill 1,200th, 4:40:13; Gillian Peach 4:40:29; Mark Spraggs 1,216th, 4:42:07; Andrew Smart 1,253rd, 4:46:23; Martin Kerr 1,325th, 4:53:09; Anders Larsson 1,340th, 4:56:23; Carol Goddard 1,345th, 4:58:09; Lynn Sloman 1,347th, 4:58:57; Laura Kerr 1,352nd, 5:00:00; Natalie Sanchez 1,370th, 5:01:28; Jessica Chadwick 1,391st, 5:03:31; Suzanne Eul-Brown 1,399th, 5:05:02; Emma Elynn 1,416th, 5:09:13; Stephen Morbey 1,428th, 5:09:24; Amie Sibley 1,446th, 5:14:22; Robert Kerr 1,451st, 5:16:49; Justin Sloman 1,479th, 5:27:01;

Haldon Trail Runners' James Denne was the just under 10 mile Cub Run winner in 59:38 with AVR's Ollie Caute 2nd, 1:06:25 and Billy Fad-

den of Bedford Harriers 3rd, 1:06:49. Even more AVR celebration with Flo Swann the first lady home, 8th overall, 1:11:40. There were 504 finishers.

Other AVR results were: Simon Gould 20th, 1:18:38; Chris Keefe 26th, 1:21:51; Jon Day 30th, 1:22:36; Alex Boon 54th, 1:29:39; Sue Hayes 65th, 1:33:20; Andrew Hartnell 95th, 1:37:42; Peter Knox 125th, 1:40:59; Rachel Grant 126th, 1:40:59; Henry Smith 139th, 1:41:44; Sarah Herfet 180th, 1:46:54; Fiona Pyle 227th, 1:54:55; Susan Wall 228th, 1:54:18; Nick Adams 235th, 1:53:44; Teresa Coates 242nd, 1:54:44; John Mellodew 254th, 1:55:20; David Mutter 266th, 1:57:10; Janet Cullum 277th, 1:59:08; Lesley Adams 278th, 1:59:08; Mark Harding-Perrott 301st, 1:59:46; Ian Hemmens 320th, 2:03:50; Hayley Eate 321st, 2:03:52; Amy Catley 323rd, 2:03:48; Emma Grigg 324th, 2:05:38; ran the Cub plus Michelle Atkins Suzy Eul-Brown and Laura Kerr who ran the Grizzly to raise money to help install some floodlit lights at Seaton cricket pitch which will then be the Devon Air Ambulance night time landing site. In total £4000 is needed and they've raised nearly a £1000.

Alison Gould was 322nd, 2:03:53; Gill Day 363rd, 2:10:18; Janet Woodward 364th, 2:10:18; Emma Richardson 376th, 2:09:53; Robin Jones 385th, 2:10:27; Debbie Barry 417th, 2:17:01; Sammy Barry 418th, 2:17:04; James Ashforth 422nd, 2:18:00; Hannah Williams 434th, 2:23:54; John Claydon 445th, 2:27:02; Rachel Hiscock 446th, 2:27:46 in memory of her father - Colin Dalziel. She is raising money

for the "British Lung Foundation" as they are researching a cure for Lung Fibrosis. Samantha Howse was 447th, 2:27:47 and Samantha Thomson 485th, 2:42:41.

Away from the Grizzly Emma Kieran came 64th overall out of 352 runners in 2:32:48 in the 20-mile road race Fission 20/20 in Gloucestershire.

## Chard Road Runners

GRIZZLY results; 2nd Wayne Loveridge 02:24:51, 52nd Jeremy Taylor 02:52:09, 65th Rod McLean 02:53:50, 84th Andrew Leeson 02:58:34, 127th Stuart McLean 03:04:12, 153rd Martin Holley 03:08:37, 177th Jim Wagstaff 03:12:18, 353rd Gavin Wyatt 03:31:05, 378th Martin Swift 03:31:15, 439th Stevie Potter 03:35:54, 441st Adrian Male 03:35:54, 443rd Ryan Hebron Wheatley 03:35:57, 604th Lee Brun 03:50:15, 702nd, Richard Clifton 03:57:41, 814th Darren Murphy 04:06:07, 823rd, Addie Douglass 04:06:30, 824th Andy Mear 04:06:32, 905th Emma Male 04:12:46, 980th Matt Baker 04:17:16, 1004th Fiona McLean, 04:21:01, 118th Simon Hall 04:37:50, 1516th Helen Baxter 05:41:39, 1517th Claire Gibbs 05:41:40.

**Grizzly Cub results:** 75th Neil Adams 01:35:18, 94th Ian Harris 01:36:25, 197th Paul Fraser 01:47:23, 275th Colin Boarder 01:58:29, 307th Gary Wheaton 02:03:48, 354th Melanie Boarder 02:08:28, 451st Philip Hodson 02:28:14, 452nd Miranda Coleberd 02:28:14.

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## scrum down chard rugby

with Glyn Hughes

## Big win in local derby clash

## Chard 38 Bridgwater 5 South West One

CONSIDERING the league positions of each side this was a stunning win for a depleted Chard against their local rivals.

After 17 minutes Chard put Bridgwater under pressure in their own 22m area when some poor handling allowed the visitors to make a timely interception close to their own line which ended with a try for Stuart Heal who missed the resulting conversion.

Chard were strong up front but their lineout play was hit and miss and this prevented them from making use of the territorial advantage gained.

They had a let off when what appeared to be a perfectly good second try for Bridgwater was disallowed by the unsighted referee.

From this point things changed dramatically and Chard deservedly went ahead with a try from Taalib Johnson which was converted by Oesman.

Shortly before half time Johnson scored his second try when his blistering pace won the chase for the touchdown follow-

ing a splendid kick ahead and Chard led 12-5 at the turnaround.

Chard made numerous handling errors early in the second half but did look really dangerous when they did manage to hang on to the ball.

The hosts had to make a few changes through injury including skipper Ryan Helliard, but despite this they remained well on top.

Winger Matt Tinley dropped a certain try scoring pass but minutes later made amends when he got the touchdown after finishing off a stunning counterattack from deep inside their own half and Oesman added the conversion points.

Chard were now on a roll and before long had the bonus point try their performance deserved when Johnson crossed for try number four which he converted himself to put Chard well clear.

Further tries came in the final ten minutes with Siljeur and Johnson going over for tries five and six. Oesman converted both to complete a good day with the boot.

Away from the points scorers, flanker

Jason Wright had another great game but special mention must go to the two young props, Ben Mainwaring and Liam Mustchin, who at 20 and 19 respectively have come into the side recently following season ending injuries to Luke Aplin and Dave Biss and both are showing huge potential.

Chard have no fixture next weekend but the clubhouse will be open for England v Ireland on the big screen in what could be a grand slam winning performance.

SW Div One (bottom)	Pld	Pts
Teignmouth	21	42
CHARD	22	27
Kingsbridge	22	22
Midsomer Norton	22	7

**Other results**  
Bridgwater 3rd 44 Chard 2nd 34 (Somerset Two South)

Chard 3rd xv 5 Wincanton 33 (Somerset Three South)  
*Next Saturday Chard 2nd xvs are way at Somerton while the 3rd Xv has no game.*

## jack high bowls news and round-up

## HONITON

with Julie Grant

SUNDAY, March 5th

saw Honiton defeat

DUNKESWELL 79-45.

Included in that was a

hot-shot for the top

rink of Doug and Rose-

mary Hirons, Di

Hawkins & Wally

Heard 38-6.

Meanwhile, the

Ladies were beaten in

two close matches.

Against MADEIRA

LADIES saw three win-

ning rinks but an over-

all 79-74 loss. The two

best rinks were; Cap-

tain Yvonne Williams,

Elizabeth Fielding,

Margaret Bright &

Shirley Hiscocks 25-21;

Di Hawkins, Rosa Sen-

nitt, club President

Joan Heard & Gail

Hawke 21-17.

This week brings the

club finals which start

on Thursday 6pm with

with Des Maull

ON Saturday Ilminster

were beaten 38-35 by

visitors NORTH

PETHERTON in the

Somerset & Devon

mixed League, details:

Hilary Leamon, Bar-

bara Ball, Peter Pat-

more & John Osborne

13-20; Maureen

Mitchell, Arthur Calla-

gan, Colin Osborne &

John Mitchell 22-18.

Sunday saw

gue, Leo Bonning, John

Mitchell & Maureen

Mitchell 17-18.

Also on Sunday

Ilminster were beaten

36-27 in the semi-final

of the county double

rink by WESTON ST

ANDREWS, details:

Home, Johnathan

Kingston, Bev Brister,

Peter Mattravers & Ian

Lightfoot 15-16; Away,

Pete Bromfield, Alan

Holt, Will Anderson &

Robins 8, Harlequins 17

Trull 8.

Friday, March - 3rd :

Our final East Devon

League Match brought

the visit of COMBE ST

NICHOLAS B, scores;

Singles - George Milner

4-5, Glen Milner 9-5,

Glen Milner 4-10,

George Milner 8-5.

Pairs - Beatrice Calla-

gan & Gillian Leighton

9-5, Jenny Cornelius &

Hilary Angold 12-4,

## crib news

## HONITON

**KNOCK Out Cup Re-**

sults 9th March;

Quarter-Final (first leg);

Honiton Inn B 5 Fen Soc

B 3, New Fountain 4

Workingsmens A 4, Vine

Inn A 4 Blacksmiths

Arms 4, Workingsmens

B 4 Vine Inn B 4.

**FIXTURES** (March

16th); Quarter-Final

(second leg) Blacksmiths

Arms v Vine Inn A, Fen

Soc B v Honiton Inn B,

Vine Inn B v Workings-



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## New boss confirmed

AXMINSTER Town have appointed Jon Hurford as their new manager.

Club stalwart Hurford, who won his second successive league game as interim manager on Saturday, is sure to be a popular choice with the Tiger Way faithful having donned the amber shirt with distinction for many seasons. "The playing committee all agreed that we felt he is ready to make the step up - he has the club in his blood," said Club chairman Ray Self.

Self confirmed that the offer was made to Hurford on Saturday evening after Saturday's 2-1 win at Exwick Villa. "We'd made the decision before the match so the

result had no bearing. Putting Jon in place now gives him more time to get things in place as he wants them for the start of next season.

"It's essential he gets a good assistant in place to help out as I think he still has much to offer on the pitch."

Hurford, who had Craig Rice alongside him on Saturday, is understood to be sounding out his options for an assistant manager.

"I'm really pleased and excited to accept the offer from the club. The players have played with confidence and increased belief over the last couple of games, their attitude has been spot on."



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STEVE WAKELEY

## Honiton College U13



■ **GOOD START:** The Honiton Community College under 13 football team recently made a good start to their East Devon Central Venue Competition. The youngsters defeated Sidmouth 5-1 and Uffculme 2-1 but lost their other match 1-0 against Exmouth. Striker Jake Mabbutt lead the way in front of goal with four against Sidmouth and the two against Uffculme. Squad; Leo Shelton, Josh Warren (Capt), Zac Harrison, Ewan Evans, River Leisk, Joe Evans, Dom McCreadie-Taylor, Jake Mabbutt, Luke Matthews, Josh Edwards, Lee Pulman, Phoenix Welch, Corey Tratt-Skinner, Charlie Shepherd, Ben Bowkowski

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